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Bombay, 15th December, 1888.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.

SUIT NO. 271 OF 1888.

JEEWANJEE JAMASJEE MISTRI, of Bombay, Parsee inhabitant, residing at Hornby Row, within the Fort of Bombay.....Plaintiff.

versus.

ABDOOLA JEEWA, of Bombay Memon, Mahomedan inhabitant, residing at Memon Molla, outside the Fort of Bombay.....Defendant.

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By order of the Committee.
JOHN MARSHALL,
Secretary.
Bombay, 15th December, 1888.

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RUSTAM K. R. CAMA,
Hon. Secretary.
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TO-DAY.

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H. E. the Governor's Levée, 4-30 p.m.

Concert, Government Electric Telegraph Quarters, [illegible] p.m.

[illegible]VED.—The following vessels arrived yesterday:—[illegible]ssada (s), from Marmugao; Streathham; and Clan Macgregor (s), Liver-[illegible]

[illegible]e following vessels sailed on the [illegible]r Marseilles; Falls of Invers-[illegible]hibet (s), Hongkong; Eden [illegible]indoo (s), Cutch Mandvie; [illegible] Hecua (barque), Zanzibar. [illegible]or Karachi and Persian [illegible]

[illegible]Silva has reported to the [illegible] instrument case from [illegible]yance was standing at [illegible]Pydownee. The stolen [illegible]

[illegible]DIWADA.—Hazari Mul, a [illegible]n thirteen others of his [illegible]eported to the police on [illegible] boxes belonging to him [illegible]aments, wearing apparel, [illegible]of the collective value of [illegible] and that he subsequently [illegible]eeper's gully close by with [illegible]and the whole of their con-[illegible]

[illegible]T CLUB.—The band of the 4th [illegible]day the following programme at [illegible]s evening, commencing at 5-30 [illegible]

[illegible]adrille .....London Life .....Coote.
[illegible]olonaise .....Im Brautschmuch...Mersdorf.
[illegible]aise.....Galatea .....Godfrey.
[illegible]avotte.....The First Kiss .....Schubert.
[illegible]aise.....Mon Amour .....Bucalossi.
Reminiscences of Sullivan .....Winterbottom.
[illegible]olka.....Tout à la Joie.....Fahrbach.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

PARSEE CHIEF MATRIMONIAL COURT.—On Saturday, at the High Court, at a sitting of the Parsee Chief Matrimonial Court of Bombay, the case of Fakirjee Jamsetjee vs. Cooverbai, his wife, was further heard before the Hon. Mr. Justice Nanabhai Haridas and eleven delegates. The petitioner prayed for a dissolution of marriage on the ground of the respondent's adultery. Mr. F. R. Vicajee, instructed by Messrs. Bomanjee and Hormusjee, appeared for the petitioner; and Mr. Manockshah Talyarkhan for the respondent. After some more evidence had been adduced and the respondent herself examined, the delegates, after retiring for consultation, found that the respondent's adultery with some person or persons unknown was proved. His lordship passed a decree *nisi* for a divorce in favour of the petitioner, which will be made absolute after three months.

MOONLIGHT CRUISE ROUND THE HARBOUR.—One of Messrs. Cook and Son's periodical moonlight excursions round the harbour of Bombay took place on Saturday night. The s.s. Godavari, a sister ship of the ill-fated Vaiturna, was chartered for the purpose, and left the Apollo Bunder about a quarter to nine. The ship was not crowded; and although there was a fair number on board, many more could have been accommodated with comfort. Indeed, it was a pity there were not more, for it was a charming night for a sail. The moon was bright, the sea was as still as an inland lake, while a gentle breeze that coolly fanned the cheeks added to the pleasure of the hour. To a stranger taking the trip for the first time, it does not merely afford a pleasant sensation, but it is exceedingly interesting too. Bombay with its myriads of lights presents a very grand spectacle from the sea, while all around the many light-houses with their ever-changing, flashing lights of red, green, and brilliant white, standing out like stars against the dark background of irregular hills, supply sufficient to attract the attention, and even to admire. Skirting the Elephanta and Hog Islands, whose shores look dark and weird-like in the gloom, the vessel turns homewards, and the Bunder is reached again after a little more than two hours' sailing. The Godavari is a splendid steamer for such a cruise. She is clean and trim, and for her size can go through the water at a wonderfully rapid rate.

THE INDIAN CONGRESS.—A large and influential public meeting consisting of persons who were from time to time elected as voters from the several electorial circles into which Nagpur city and district were divided, was held at Nagpur on the evening Monday, the 3rd instant. More than 400 persons were present, a considerable proportion of them being Mohamedans. All communities and professions, viz., Hindoo Mohamdan, Eurasian, aristocracy, law, trade, education, were represented. Amongst other speakers, Mr. Abdool Azeez, a delegate to the previous Congresses, endeavoured to prove in a splendid, well-balanced, and impressive speech, the futility of the Moslim opposition, and demonstrated the necessity of united action for national welfare. The following gentlemen were then elected delegates to represent Nagpur (City and District) at the Allahabad National Congress:—

Mr. Gangadher Rao Madhewa Chitnavis.
Mr. Bapu Rao Dada, M.A.
Mr. Bhajirath Prasad, B.A.
Mr. Sadasiva Jairam, B.A.
Mr. Abdul Azeez.
Mr. Asraf Ali.
Mr. Raghoba Rattiram (Saoner).
Mr. Rajarampant Dikshit.
Mr. K. G. Deshpande, M.A.
Mr. Martand Bapuji Warkar.
Mr. Gopal Rao Fadnasis (Umrer).

The proceedings were brought to a close with a vote of thanks to the chair and cheers for the Queen-Empress.

THE FATAL COLLAPSE OF A HOUSE.

THE adjourned inquest into the circumstances connected with the deaths of Suliman Ismail, Isabai, Yemmabai, Abdool Kadur, Hajee Ismail, and Ali Meer, who were killed by the fall of a house, No. 62, at Nagdevy Road, early on the morning of Saturday last, was resumed on Saturday.

Mr. Dhairyawan appeared to watch the proceedings on behalf of the relatives of Yemmabai, who was also the owner of the fallen house, and Mr. Shamrao Pandurang on behalf of Hajee Abdoola Hajee Soomar, the owner of the vacant ground adjoining the house that fell.

Mahomed Sagan, a bricklayer, deposed: About fifteen days ago he took a contract to supply labour for the building of a house in Nagdevy Street from one Hajee Abdoola Soomar and commenced work on the 17th last month. Witness first opened a trench about 20 feet long, commencing from the back of the premises which fell, and filled in the foundation. He then opened another trench about 24 or 25 feet long, and carried it down about 5 feet or 5 feet 3 inches. The width of the trench was about 2¼ or 2½ feet. It was shored by one plank on each side and was supported by about 7 struts. There was no water in the trench, nobody complained to him about the work. He was in the habit of taking work of this kind for the last 30 years. His work was superintended by a maistry named Abdool Raymon Mahomed, who gave him instructions for this work and not Hajee Abdoola Soomar. No portion of the foundations of the house that fell could be seen from the trench. Witness took every precaution that was necessary to protect the house. The width of the planks used in the shoring was 16 or 17 inches. In the first trench that was dug on the north side the foundations of the fallen house could be seen. Witness was not a licensed surveyor.

Mr. James William Smith, Acting Executive Engineer of the Bombay Municipality, said he examined houses Nos. 490 to 492 in Nagdevy Street on Saturday, the 8th instant, at about 8-30 a.m. He did not then make a professional examination of the building, but did so on two subsequent occasions, on the 11th and 14th instant. At 12 feet 6 inches back from the face of the plinth an excavated trench was commenced 5 feet 6 inches deep below the ground floor paving, which was 1 foot 2 inches below the paving of the fallen house. The trench extended to a length of 27 feet 6 inches. There was about 4 inches of subsoil water in the buttom of the trench. At the west end the trench was 4 feet 9 inches below the ground floor paving; that is 5 feet 11 inches below the floor of the fallen house. In the centre the trench was 5 feet below the ground floor paving, that is, 6 feet 2 inches below the floor of the fallen house. All the masonry of the fallen wall fell inwards; that was towards the north, which would be the natural effect of the foundations slipping outwards or towards the south. The witness, after further describing the walls of the fallen house, was of opinion that the cause of the fall of the house was the slipping in the north side of the trench of Hajee Abdoola's foundations in house No. 492 to 493. He did not think the shoring of that trench was either efficiently or skilfully done. He thought the shoring might have been done so skilfully as to have prevented the fall of the house. No Municipal licenses for authorised surveyors, as proposed in section 339 of the Municipal Act, have yet been issued.

Nana Ballajee, an Inspector of roads and buildings in B Ward of the Bombay Municipality, was next examined. He stated that he was present when Mr. Smith examined the house that fell.

The jury, upon the evidence, returned the following verdict unanimously. "That the deaths of the five deceased were caused by suffocation, the result of an accidental fall of a house on them."

THE TRIPLE MURDER AT DADUR.

ON Saturday, at the Girgaum Police Court, before Mr. P. Ryan, the case against Narayen Nanoo was resumed. Mr. Frere, of Messrs. Little, Smith, Frere, and Nihelson, as Public Prosecutor, appeared to conduct the case for the prosecution.

Manocjee Framjee Metha deposed:—I am a bookkeeper at Banajee, Ballatine and Company, and brother of the last two witnesses. In October last I lived with my mother, brother, and sisters in a bungalow on the Lady Jamsetjee Road. I know the accused. He was taken into our service on the 4th October last. I was not present when accused was engaged. He used to be called Rama. My attention was drawn by my mother regarding a box being removed, in the middle room on the first floor, by the the accused. I heard my brother warning the accused with reference to the moving of the box on the following morning. I was then lying on my bed in the verandah over the porch. This was about a week before the murders took place. On the 18th October, Thursday, I left the house for my work at 9-30 a.m. My brother, Ardaseer, left before me. My mother, my three sisters, and my nephew were left in the house. My sister Banoobai was slightly ill, and consequently my mother prepared my breakfast that morning. Banoobai was lying on a big box in a room on the ground floor on the north side when I left the house. I did not return to the house until 8 o'clock that evening. When I returned, the police, my brother Ardaseer, sisters Veerbai and Seerunbai, and also my brother Rustomjee were there. I saw the dead bodies of my mother, my sister Banoobai, and nephew lying in the house, and certain boxes and cupboards were broken open. Accused Rama was not there. The next time I saw Rama was when he was brought by the police on the 20th October. I and others of the family identified Rama when he denied being in our service. I also identified certain property brought by the police as our property on the 23rd October. On the evening of the 22nd I identified sundry other articles as our property. The brass pieces now produced were kept in my sister's cupboard, which stood in my mother's room and which was smashed open. The Cornelian beads, &c. (Exhibits I, K, and L), belonged to my mother. I do not know where they were kept. I also identified the pestle and pick-axe as our property. I never saw the accused use the pick-axe.

Dewjee Cassiba deposed: I am a mill hand. In October last I was in the service of a sugar merchant, Veljee Visram, who had a sugar factory in the same compound where the woman Ruttonbai and two others that were murdered lived. I know the accused. I do not know the name he went by. I first became acquainted with the accused about eight days before the murders by his coming to our factory to take ashes to clean pots. I saw the accused eight or nine times before the murder. I remember the day when the dead bodies were discovered in the house. It was on a Thursday. I do not know the date. I saw the accused at 10 o'clock on that forenoon standing by a parched grain seller near the Dadur railway station, and as I was returning to the factory I saw deceased follow me, and he turned into the gate leading into Ruttonbai's house. I did not see the accused again on that day. I identified the accused when he was brought by the police.

Shaik Ali Shaboodeen deposed: I am steam-roller driver of the Municipality. I know the bungalow in which Ruttonbai and her family lived. I was taken by the police to that bungalow on the 19th October last at about 9 a.m. I know the accused. I have seen him light his *biddee* from the live coals that fell from the furnace of the steam-roller often in a day while I was working in front of that bungalow. He used to smoke outside the gate and then go into the compound. I saw the accused on the 18th October at about noon. He smoked a *biddee* as usual, and went into the bungalow. I did not see him again on that day, until I saw him in the custody of the police two days after. I have a fireman on my steam-roller; his name is Pereira.

Alex. pereira a fireman of a steam-roller, in the employ of the Municipality, was next examined. He corroborated the statement made by the last witness.

At this stage the case was adjourned for further hearing to Thursday, the 3rd January.

A MEETING OF RATEPAYERS.

ON Saturday afternoon, a meeting of the ratepayers of the Fort Ward was held at the house of Mr. Liladhar Shamji, near the Gaiety Theatre, for the purpose of hearing addresses from the candidates who have been selected by the Ward Committee for representing the district in the Municipal Corporation. M. Jeewanjee J. Mody was called to the chair. The selected candidates are the Hon. R. M. Sayani, Messrs. K. M. Shroff, J. R. Duxbury, Bomonji, Pherozshaw, Dinshaw Edalj Watcha, and Harkison Narotumdas. The Hon. Mr. Sayani was the first to speak, and he addressed the meeting at great length upon the multifarious duties and heavy responsibilities of members of the Corporation. Candidates should only come forward to seek the suffrages of the ratepayers if they honestly believed that they would be useful to their wards and their city by getting into the Corporation. He dwelt upon the necessity of regular and punctual attendance at the meetings of the Corporation, and of paying careful attention to the proceedings. He jocularly observed that some members came there only to talk of the prices of shares and stock, and of such trifles as going to parties or taking a drive to the bandstand. Mr. Sayani hoped that that he would continue to deserve the good opinion of his electors and concluded by expressing his satisfaction that Lord Reay was always anxious to assist the Municipal institutions in the good Government of the City, as far as it lay in his power to do so.

Mr. K. M. Shroff, who was the next speaker, said that from his experience of the working of the Municipal administration of this city, he considered there was still ample room for improvement. Much good could be done, if some of the representatives of the ratepayers took more interest in their duty. The electors must be very careful in the choice of their representatives, for if they returned unworthy men to the Corporation, they were themselves to blame. At present there were several members of the Corporation who were not fit to be the representatives of the ratepayers.

Mr. Bomonji Pherozshaw said he had been taking great interest in Municipal affairs; and if he were elected, he promised to pay adequate attention to his duties as a councillor.

Mr. Duxbury thanked the electors for the confidence they had continued to repose in him for the last twelve years. He considered the taxation was too heavy, but he said that any reduction in it should be made after making very careful inquiries.

He took care to say that he was quite opposed to cheese-paring economy of any sort.

Mr. Watcha had sent a written address from Matheran where he has gone on account of ill-health. The address was read to the meeting. The candidate said that, if he were elected to the Corporation, he would do his duty with conscientious care, and he promised to pay particular attention to questions of finance.

A vote of confidence was passed in favour of all the above candidates. The chairman then informed the meeting that Mr. Harkisson, the sixth candidate, had written to say that he had been precluded from attending the meeting on account of some other very pressing engagement. The chairman left it to the meeting to decide whether a vote of confidence should be passed in favour of Mr. Harkissondas without having an opportunity of hearing him.

A good deal of discussion arose on the question whether Mr. Harkissondas deserved the confidence of the electors or not. Some speakers did not think he had given a sufficient excuse for his absence, and were, therefore, in favour of rejecting him. There were others who maintained that he should be allowed an opportunity of addressing his constituents. There was a good deal of talk and some disorder. It was finally decided to adjourn the meeting till Thursday next.

VALUABLE DISCOVERY FOR THE HAIR.—If your hair is turning grey or white, or falling off, use "The Mexican Hair Renewer," for it *will positively restore in every case Grey or White hair* to its original colour without leaving the disagreeable smell of most "Restorers." It makes the hair charmingly beautiful, as well as promoting the growth of the hair on bald spots, where the glands are not decayed. Ask your Chemists for "THE MEXICAN HAIR RENEWER," sold by Chemists and Perfumers everywhere at 3s. 6d. per bottle. Sold wholesale by the Anglo-American Drug Co., Limited, 33, Farringdon-Road, London.

THE L. M. AND S. EXAMINATION.

OUT of 80 candidates, the following 39 were on Saturday last declared to have passed. The Balkrishna Sadanandjee Prize has been awarded to Savaksha Ruttonjee Sethna; and the Charles Morehead Prize to Savaksha Ruttonjee Sethna and Kaikhosro Eduljee Doctor jointly:—

CLASS FIRST.—Doctor, Kaikhosru Edalji. Jadhav, Ramchandra Narayen. Mehta, Narsinha Trikanji. Sethna, Shavakshah Ratanji. Walke, Annie.

CLASS SECOND.—Bath, Hari Vaman. Brito, Alexander, Broker, Shivdas Parmanand. Cama, Nasarvanji Manekji. Chitnis, Gopinath Chintaman. Contractor, Ardesir Dhanjishah. Dady Barjor, Hormasji Pestanji. Dalal, Parshottam Harichand. De Quadros, Augustus. DeSilva, Diogo. M.Divanji,Chhaganprasad Dwiprasad. Doctor, Jehangier Edalji. Doshi, Jivraj Ghelabhai. Dubash, Kaikhosru Manekji. Godinho, Louis G. Hathivala, Abbas-ali Alibhai. Hyams, Abram S. Jacob. S. Jayakar, Ishwarchandra. Ramchandra, Kamataka Hormasji Pestanji. Karaka, M. Sorabji Framji. Khaja Abdulla Adam. Kirloskar, Vishnu Ramchandra. Marchant, Dhanji Khimji, Mudholkar, Ramchandra, Narsinha. Parnajpye, Balvant Lakshman. Parmanand Ramkrishna Narayan. Pavri,Sorabjee Manekji. Sanjgiri Y. M. Shroff. Kavasji Behramji. Sirur, Gampat Annapa. Valladares, Lewis Angelino. Wadia, Bapujee Eastamji.

RESULT OF UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS.

THE PREVIOUS EXAMINATION.

OUT of 557 candidates, the following 212 were declared on Saturday evening to have passed the examination:—

FIRST CLASS.

Abdullabhai Yusufali, to whom are awarded the Hughlings' Prize and the Sir Frank Souter Scholarship.

SECOND CLASS.

Abhyankar, Mahadev Govind.
Agashe, Moro Bhikaji.
Alimchandani, Bulchand Dayaram.
Bhat, Sitaram Ganesh.
Captain, Manekji Sorabji.
Chitale, Ganesh Krishna.
Damle, Keshav Govind
Desai, Jivanlal Varajrai
Desai, Shantaram Anant
Deshmukh, Dvarkanath Ganesh
Divatia, Mukundrai Isharrai
Ghanekar, Balvant Narayan
Gokhale, Dinkar Vishnu
Gore, Sitaram Narayanrao
Hate, Sadashiv Nanabhai
Joshi, Mahadev Keshav
Joshi, Venkatesh Shivram
Karkaris, Jehangir Pestanji
Kirloskar, Dhondo Pandurang
Koyaji Nadirshah Shapurji
Kulkarni, Janardan Eknath
Limaye, Dattatraya Ramchandra
Master, Dinshah Dadabhai Mehendale, Bhikaji Raghunath
Mehta, Jekishan Valabhdas
Mehta, Navnitrai Narayanbhai
Meisheri, Lakhmichand Tejpal
Mulla, Fardunji Dadabhai
Nadkarni, Ramchandra Devrao
Namjoshi, Ramchandra Abaji
Natu, Krishnaji Raghunath
Paranjpye, Anant Govind
Bavri, Hormasji Palanji
Sadi, Imdadalli Mahamed Kasim
Sathe, Govind Nilkanth
Sathe,Purushottam Krishna
Sheriff, Nathani Nazaralli
Shukla, Harjivan Bhagvanji
Sovani, Shivram Krishna
Tendle, Gopalrao Ramkrishna
Timble, Bhai Babulji
Vaze, Krishnaji Vinayak
Vase, Ramchandra Ballal

PASS.

Apte, Ramchandra Govind.
Atmaram Bhukhan, Jagubhai Karsandas.
Ayrton, Rastamji Dhanjibhai.
Bakhle, Sadashiv Ramchandra.
Bal, Balkrishna Gopal.
Balvalli, Laksiman Ramchandra.
Bapat, Chintaman Pandurang.
Batlivala, Pestanji Sarabji
Bhandarkar, Dinkar Shivram.
Bharucha, Rustam Framji
Bharucha, Shapurji Sheriarji.
Bhat, Harikrishna Fakirbhai.
Bhat, Kalidas Mulchand.
Bhathena, Dinshah Framji.
Bhatye, Purushottam Sakharam.
Bodas, Shridhar Mahadev.
Bothe, Narayen Balaji.
Braganca, Anthony Baptista.
Buch, Balvantrai Hsrishankar.
Cama, Soshyan K. R.
Chakradev, Ganesh Purushottam
Chandurachud, Madhav Balvant
Dadachanji, Dorabji Sorabji
Dalal, Dadabhai Morvanji
Dalal, Gholabhai Parbhudas
Dalal, Lakshmidas Karamsi
Dalal, Phirozeshah Mervanji
Dandvate, Ganesh Sadashiv
Daru,Chhotelal Dahyabhai
Datar, Narayan Tirmalrao
D'Lima, Liguorio, Joseph
D'Mello, Nicholas Mathew
Desai, Anant Sitaram
Desai, Gulabrai Jametram
Desai, Hakumat Harrai
Desai, Krishnarao Venkoba
Deshpande, Kashinath Gangadhar
Deshpande, Shrinivas Svamirao
Divanji, Rangildas Jamnaprasad
Engineer, Ardesir Dinshah
Engineer, Tribhuvandas Kahandas
Falpalana, Merwanji Jehangir
Gajendragadkar, Gopal Lakshman
Gami, Narandas Kalidas
Gandhi, Virji Manordas
Garud, Gopal Balvant
Ghandi, Pestanji Kaikobad
Ghate, Sitaram Dinkar
Godbole, Bapu Hari
Godbole, Hari Vithal
Godrej, Ardesir Barjorji
Gokhale, Dattatraya Ganesh
Gokhale, Narayan Sadashiv
Hakim, Ardesir Dosabhai
Haligeri, Bhimaji Tirakapa Naik
Harpanballi, Mahadev Ramchandra
Javeri, Mahasukh Chunilal
Javeri, Natubhai Sankal-Chand
Joshi, Balkrishna Bhagvandas
Joshi, Pranshankar Bhavanishankar
Joshi, Ramchandra Vishnu
Kanga, D Dorabji
Kantharia, Gopal Hiralal
Kapadia, Motilal Kanji
Karmajvala, Anurai Vithalrai
Kasmi, Mahomed Yesuf Nausbhai
Kashikar, Keshav Gopal
Kehimkar, Moses Aaron
Kharkar, Gopinath Mahipat
Kharod, Jayashankar Valabji
Khisty, Nilkanth Yeshvath
Khopkar, Shivram Raoji
Kittur, Gurunath Venkatesh
Koulgi, Shrinivas Hayagrivacharya
Korde, Lakshman Bapuji
Korgavkar Vinayak Mahadev
Kotbage, Hari Raghunath
Kothare, Moreshvar Ramchundra
Kulkarni, Sabaji Venkatesh
Mansukhani, Parmanand Tejumal
Marathe, Keshav Mahadev
Marathe, Sadashiv Keshav
Master, Framji Dadabhai
Medivala, Gustadji Kuvarji
Mehendale, Khando Chintaman
Mehta,Jehangirji Dinshah
Mehta, Mahashankar Durgashankar
Mehta, Manilal Harilal
Mehta Rastomji Edalji
Mehta Rastomji Phirozeshah
Merchant, Amidas Karsandas
Merchant, Pranjiwandass Narrondass
Modi, Jahangir Dadabhai
Modi, Vrajlal Vardhaman
Mowdvala, Kharshedji Mancherji
Munshi, Dinshah Mancherji
Mushrif, Pandurang Lakshman
Nadkarni Mangash Santaya
Naik, Keshav Balvant
Nanavati Narandas Dayabhai
Natu, Gopal Kashinath
Nayampali, Shrinivas Krishnarao
Nazereth, Anthony
Nene Prabhakar Sadashiv
Nerurkar, Narayan Sitaram
Padalkar, Govind Ganesh
Pandia, Manilal Atmaram
Pandit, Narayam Ganesh
Parakh, Bhogilal Bapulal
Parakh, Harkisam Mancharam
Parakh, Jethalol Motilal
Parakh,Mulraj Panachand
Pataskar, Vinayak Vaman
Patel, Kashidas Vastabhai
Patkar, Shamrao Sakharam
Patvardhan, Ramkrishna Vishnu
Phadke, Ramchandra Sakharam
Pimple, Vasudev Ramchandra
Powar, Morarao Govindrao
Purandare, Lakshman Anant
Rajopadhye, Narayan Sadashiv
Ranade, Raghunath Shankar
Rao, Manchershaw Manekji
Samant, Jagannath Moreshvar
Sanjana, Rastam Kharshadji
Sapre, Gangadhar Anant
Sardesai, Balkrishna Bhikaji
Sirvai, Rastamji Fardunji
Shah, Chunilal Gheliabhai
Shah, Chunilal Keshavlal
Shah, Dahyabhai Jhaverchand
Shah, Harichand Nathubhai
Shah, Lallubhai Asharam
Shengtankeri, Hanmant Shankar
Shrikhande, Ganesh Ramchandra
Shroff, Chunilal Chhaganchand
Shroff, Chunilal Motiram
Shroff, Hiralal Brijbhukanchand
Sohoni, Anant Lakshman
Sukthankar, Hari Shamrao
Suthankar, Nilkanth Raghunath
Telicherivala, Darashah Kaikhosru
Thadani, Utmichand Gangaram
Thakar, Girjashankar Ranchhodlal
Thakur, Jamietram Narbheram
Thosar, Ramkrishna Narayan
Tolat, Gulabdas Gopaldas
Trilokekar, Ramchandra Atmaram
Trivedi, Vithaldas Girjashankar.
Unvala, Ardesir Mancherji
Upasani, Ravji Balkrishna
Vacha, Ardesir Mancherji
Vacha, Kaikhosru Dinshah
Vakil, Kaikhosru Hormasji
Vakil, Mancharshah Ardesir
Vatve, Gopal Govind
Vedak, Krishnarao Vithal
Vesavevala, Muncherjee Khershedji
Wadia, Hormasji Nasarvanji
Wagle, Ghanashsam Sobrao
Walker, Frank Hastings
Ghaisas, Trimbak Chintaman.

MILITARY NEWS.

THE following appointments are made:—26th Punjab Infantry.—Lieutenant O. C. Williamson, supernumerary on the establishment of the 33rd Bengal Infantry, to be Wing Officer on probation, vice Ramsay, seconded. 45th Sikhs.—Captain W. W. Taylor, Wing Officer, to be Wing Commander. sub. pro. tem. vice McRae, promoted.

LIEUTENANT F. RENNICK, supernumerary on the establishment of the regiment, to be Wing Officer, vice Taylor, promoted.

MILITARY WORKS DEPARTMENT.—Major F. T. N. Spratt, R. E., is transferred from the Peshawar Division, Military Works, to the office of the Superintending Engineer, Meerut Command, Military Works.

CAPTAIN C. C. ELLIS, R.E., on arrival in India, is posted to the Lahore Division, Military Works.

ON return from privilege leave, Captain F. N. Maude, R. E., is transferred from the Quetta Division, Military Works, to the Meerut Division, Military Works.

MAJOR A. CAMPBELL, B. A., is directed to proceed to England on promotion to Lieutenant-Colonel, half pay.

MAJOR R. C. B. LAWRENCE, officiating District Staff Officer, Presidency District, is transferred in the same capacity to the Nerbudda District. Captain F. C. Carter, 2nd Battalion Northumberland Fusiliers, taking his place in the Presidency District.

COLONEL W. L. AUCHINLECK, half-pay, lately commanding the 35th Regimental District, is expected in India to command a district—probably the Presidency District, Bengal, in succession to Major-General Purvis, vacating on promotion.

ON the recommendation of a Medical Board Lieutenant F. Commeline, 2nd Bengal Cavalry, has been permitted to proceed to England in anticipation of the leave which will hereafter be granted him by Government or the Commander-in-Chief.

THE Allahabad command will include the station of Fatehgarh, which with Agra will be excluded from the Meerut command. Mian Mir will include Jullunder, Phillour, and Ludhiana. The Lucknow, Rawalpindi, and Quetta command limits will remain as they are.

THE appointment of Brigade-Major has been abolished in India, except for the Artillery, Cavalry, and, perhaps, Royal Engineers. Only officers of the Staff Corps and Indian Army will be appointed Colonels on the Staff.

VOLUNTEER SERGEANTS who may retire after ten years service in that rank, or who have retired and who are specially recommended by their commanding officers, may be allowed, under the authority of the Commander-in-Chief of the Presidency or of the Local Administration (in the case of corps under local administrations) to retain their rank and to wear the uniform of a Sergeant of their corps with the letter "R" embroidered in silver on the shoulder-straps. This is an empty honour and one not likely to be much used, seeing that each man entitled will have to provide the uniform at his own expense, and the wearing of it will carry no concession.

VOLUNTEER INTELLIGENCE.

THE Volunteers had a march out through the town on Saturday evening-which was an agreeable change to the usual Saturday parades and drills. Colonel Bayley was in command, and there was a fairly good attendance. The following table shows the field state:—

Distributions.	Field Officers.	Captains.	Lieutenants.	Staff Sergts.	Sergts.	Buglers.	Rank & File.	Total.
A Coy	1	1	2	...	4	...	13	21
B „	1	1	2	...	2	...	18	24
C „	1	1	1	...	...	...	26	35
D „	...	...	1	...	4	...	18	23
E „	...	1	...	1	1	...	13	16
F „	...	1	1	...	2	...	24	28
G (Cadets)	...	...	1	...	2	3	16	21
H (Cadets)	...	...	...	...	1	...	11	12
I (Cadets)	...	...	...	...	2	...	16	18
K (Cadets)	...	...	...	...	1	...	10	11
Army Staff		1	...	2	...	...	5	8
Staff & Band	...	...	...	...	1	...	24	25
Total...	3	6	8	3	26	3	193	242

The following officers were on parade:—Lt.-Col. L. H. Bayley, Commandant; Majors Hore and Brown; Capt. Hodgkinson, Adjutant; Captains Baird, Place, Freeborn, Lund, and Willis; Lieuts. Jeffries, Devlin, S. M. English, Savage, Luker, F. W. English, and Brewin; and 2nd Lt. Rowland.

The Bombay Artillery Volunteers had the usual gun drill in the Town Hall compound on Saturday.

THE BYCULLA MURDER.

ARREST OF THE SUPPOSED CRIMINAL.

ON the 13th November last the body of a Hindoo girl named Syee, the grand-daughter of a malee named Toolseeram, residing on the Victoria Cross Road, Byculla, was found lying in a cook-room of a house situated in a by-lane off the Victoria Cross Road. Since the murder was committed the police have been endeavouring to discover the murderer, but without success. It appears, however, that about the 28th Nov. last, a man named Jooma Cassim, rent collector to a Kojah named Mumnoo Mulloo, who owns a chawl at Matharpac cady, gave certain information to Khan Bahadoor Meer Abdool Ali, the Superintendent of the Detectives, regarding a row that took place between some Soortees residing in his master's chawl, when a Soortee named Rama Curson made use of the expression to an antagonist, that he would strangle him in the same manner as he strangled the little girl a fortnight previous at Victoria Cross Road. Upon this information the Khan Saheb caused his men to watch the movements of Rama Curson, as he was known to be out of employment and kept company with a number of his caste-fellows loitering about that locality. This man was a domestic servant some five or six months ago to Constable Parker, late of the Bombay Police, and who has since left the police and joined the Railway. Rama since then was without employment and doing no work. Upon further information being received by the police officers instituting the enquiry, Inspectors Cobb and Nolan and the Khan Saheb arrested Rama Curson at the Goozlee Bazaar, Byculla, on Saturday evening last, when he was shortly after identified by the parties who saw him in company with the murdered girl on the forenoon of the day on which she was murdered. Subsequently four gold "postlees" and eight gold beads with the cords forming the necklace that the murdered girl had on her person when she was murdered were found to have been pledged with a Marwarree at Upper Duncan Road by the man Rama Curson. This property was identified by the grand-parents of the girl, and the man Rama confesses having pledged these articles about 2 o'clock on the afternoon of the 13th November last, the day of the murder, and obtained Rs. 20 from the Marwaree on the gold articles. Rama Curson is now in the custody of the police, and further enquiries are being instituted for the recovery of the remainder of the ornaments that the little girl was robbed of after being murdered.

PUBLIC WORKS IN SALSETTE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—You will recollect that a few weeks ago you were kind enough to publish a letter, reporting that the road from Gorai to the railway station at Borivli had been washed away by tide waters, rendering passage over it a source of danger and inconvenience to pedestrians. During the last spring-tides the sea again washed away the works, frightfully cutting up the road. In connection with this occurrence, I am inclined to ask as to who is really responsible for the state of things which have resulted thus deplorably. A good sum will be necessary to repair the road, and in fact there is no guarantee as to whether no similar occurrence will again take place. I for one would like to know whether the road is a metalled one, and if not, it would be interesting to learn the reasons for dispensing with the metalling.

A PEDESTRIAN.

THE CRAWFORD COMMISSION.

FORTY-FIFTH DAY.

THE hearing of the charges against Mr. Arthur Crawford, late Commissioner, C. D., was resumed on Friday.

Kazi Abbas, re-called and examined, said:—I sent a telegram to Ragonath Ganesh Tambay, and saw him in Poona. I told him to go and see the Collector of Sattara, in consequence of the interview I had with Mr. Crawford. I had letters from Tambay. This letter is not in my writing. I caused it to be written. The writing looks like Duli Khan's. That was written in reply to one of Tambay's letters to me. I dictated the letter to him and he wrote it. (Letter, dated 21st August 1887, put in). The Shetinjee I refer to in the letter is Mr. Crawford. I see this letter. It is also written by Dhuli Khan. That was also written at my dictation. (Letter, dated 26th November 1887, put in). The word *Muks* here means Mr. Crawford. I see this letter. It was written by Dhuli Khan at my dictation. (Letter dated 14th April, put in). In that last letter I ask him to come to Poona. He did come to Poona, and I told him to go to the Collector. After that he came again to see me. I see this letter. It is in my hand writing. (Letter from witness to Bhasker Bai put in). The way I wrote it was that Tambay came to my house. He told me he had seen the Collector, but got no appointment. I told the Saheb this. He said he would write to the Collector of Nagar to appoint him at Shrigonda. He told me to tell Tambay to get a petition. During that visit of Tambay's perhaps I took him to the bungalow. I took him there on the occasion of his last visit to the Saheb. I think this was in the month of July. I see this letter. It is in my writing. (Letter put in). At the last interview with the Saheb, Tambay and I were present only. I told the Saheb that Tambay said he did not want any appointment, but wanted his money back. The Saheb said he would return the money within eight or fifteen days. I said he would not listen to that; but if a chittie was given to him, he might wait. The Saheb asked me to give him a chittie in my hand writing which I should take back from him after he gave me money to pay him. I wrote and gave him a chittie for Rs. 850. Rs. 50 was deducted on account of the money which he owed me.

Cross-examined by Mr. Crawford: In this letter you see written "That as the matter was urgent an official letter was sent that the appointment should not be filled up."

Who did you mean that the letter was sent to?—The Collector of Nagar or Satara.

You said just before that that the matter was not private. Did you mean that an official letter had gone from the Commissioner to the Collector of Nagar or Satara?—I understood that Mr. Crawford had written an official letter. Tambay wrote to me; but what he wrote I do not remember.

He may have or he may have not?—Yes.

Now look at R. A. You say, "A place of Rs. 60 is to be vacant at Nagar as the permanent incumbent is to be made a Mahalkari." Why did you write it?—I do not remember.

Now look at K. B. Do you remember what made you write it?—No.

You do not know if it was written in consequence of what Mr. Crawford said to you, or in consequence of a letter you received from Tambay?—No.

Look at K. C. you say "It was written to Nagar yesterday that you should be appointed." Did you mean that Mr. Crawford had written recommending Tambay's appointment to the Collector the day previous?—I did not know if a letter was written; but Mr. Crawford said he had.

Mr. Crawford asked for the letter. Mr. Latham said no such was found.

In this "chittie" of yours you say that Rajaram gave you a letter. Did he?—No.

Why did you say so?—Rajaram owed me Rs. 50, and I was to give Tambay a chittie for Rs. 50, in order to receive the amount from Rajaram.

As a matter of fact, no separate document was given at the time this was written?—No.

Dhuli Khan Raja Khan was next called. He stated: I am a Mahomedan. I was Chief Constable on Rs. 65. I was reduced for drinking. After I was discharged from the Police, I used to live either at Nagar or Poona. When at Poona I used to live with Kazi Abbas. I know Tambay. I first saw Tambay at the Kazi's. This was about a year or 15 months ago. I went with him to Bhasker Bhai's petition writer. He used to come sometimes to the Kazi's house. I, Kazi, Tambay, and a Brahim went together. I did not go in. I do not remember going any where else with Tambay. I may have. I wrote these letters at the Kazi's dictation. Ragonath Tambay prepared a draft and told me he had to receive some money from the Kasi. Previous to writing it there was some discussion. Tambay said he would take Rs. 900. The Kazi said that Rs. 50 were owing to him, and he would deduct that amount. Tambay said he would be satisfied if a letter for Rs. 850 was given to him. After that conversation this document was written. I began to apply for my reinstatement in the Police since my dismissal. The order for my reinstatement was passed in December 1887. The reason I was delayed was because there was no vacancy. The order was made by Mr. Crawford.

Cross-examined by Mr. James Crawford:

From the time of your dismissal up to October have you been getting no pay at all?—I have not.

Since the 1st of October your appointment has been that of 1st Class Head Constable at Sattara?—Yes.

But have you not been working under Mr. Ommanney's orders in Poona?—Yes.

Nuropant Kasinath Sathe was called and stated:—I know R. Tambay, since the day he brought a hoondi to me. In the day book the English date is entered; it is the 12th of October 1887. (Entry of cashing hoondi for Rs. 500 put in). The receipt Tambay signed was sent to Balkrishna.

THE PATEL OF KOREGAUM'S CASE.

The Patel of Koregaum's case was then gone into

Gunpatrao Bharge was called and stated:—I am a cultivator. In the Koregaum Patelki there are two *takshims*, and I claim to have a

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J. MONTEATH,

Private Secretary to H. E. the Governor.

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Bombay, December 17, 1888.

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Bombay, December 17, 1888.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

SATURDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 15.

CONSOLS receded ⅛ per cent., to 96⅛, yesterday in London; but Indian Sterling Loan was unchanged at 105. The price of Silver remained at 42 9-16d. per oz, and Thursday's rates still ruled for Rupee Securities of both denominations. In Paris, Rentes were ⅛ per cent. lower, at 83; and Exchange on London was down 1¼ centimes, at francs 25·35. The price of Braziers Copper had advanced £2 10s. per ton at Reuter's quotation of £85 11s.; but the rate is called nominal.

The Linseed Market had become easier, and Calcutta seed to arrive *via* the Canal was 6d. per quarter lower, at 43s. 6d.; but other Mincing Lane quotations come unchanged. The Wheat Market also was unaltered in tone and prices. The total Wheat afloat for the United Kingdom yesterday was 40,000 quarters less than on the previous Friday, at 2,210,000 quarters.

Cotton closed steady again in Liverpool, last evening the day's Sales having again aggregated 10,000 bales, comprising 500 Surats, and with spot and arrival prices unchanged all round. The Imports were 15,000 bales. Manchester had been firm. To-day the Liverpool market became quiet in tone; and the Sales were 8,000 bales, showing the usual Saturday falling off in business, the proportion of Surats having been 400 bales. Prices of ready Cotton remained as before; but in American arrivals there was a decline of 1-64d. in Dec. to Feb. and March-April deliveries and of 1-32d. in other positions. The day's Imports were 14,000 bales.

The total sales in Liverpool for the week ending yesterday were exactly the same as those for the week preceding, at 60,000 bales; but the quantity taken by the trade and forwarded was 7,000 bales greater, at 132,000 bales. The total Stocks had become heavier by 54,000 bales; and at the figures given below, stood yesterday at 75,000 bales less than at the corresponding time last year and 78,000 bales lower than in 1886; so that the deficiency now showing is about one-half of what it was a week ago as against last year's figures and 5,000 bales less than it was last week, at 36,000 bales. The total visible supply of Cotton for Europe had increased by 170,000 bales; while of East Indian Cotton there were 4,000 bales more in sight. The falling off in the total supply this season compared with the two preceding years continues to diminish, the deficiency now shown in the subjoined figures being 430,000 bales as against last year and 351,000 bales compared with the year before. The estimated decrease on the previous Friday having been 510,000 bales and 370,000 bales, respectively. The visible supply of East Indian Cotton was yesterday 148,000 bales less than in 1887 at this time and 106,000 bales smaller than in 1886, the margin of decrease having thus become smaller in the first case and rather greater in the second during the week. There has been little movement in Liverpool, prices since last Friday, yesterday's quotations showing a decline of 1-16d. in Mid. American and in 'Good Fair' and 'Good' Oomras, and a partial fall of 1-64d. in American arrivals, other rates being unchanged. Compared with last year's prices at this time, Mid. American is 3-16d. lower, but higher to the same extent as against 1886.

In New York, the spot price remains remarkably steady at 9⅞ cents, which was yesterday's quotation as well as to-day's; but there was a fall of 4 points in March Futures yesterday at 9·83 cents, and to-day 2 points lower is quoted, at 9·80 cents. The receipts at the U. S. ports yesterday were 53,000 bales and to-day 36,000 bales, the latter going against 33,000 bales last year and 37,000 balest the year before. The total figures for receipts at the ports now shew a falling off of 467,000 bales and 117,000 bales compared with last and the previous years, respectively, the falling off having thus become less during the week as against last year's figures, and greater to about the same extent compared with those of 1886.

The American Crop figures to date give the following comparisons with the two previous seasons:—

	1888.	1887.	1886.
Week's receipts	266,000	213,000	295,000
,, exports to U. K.	115,000	106,000	128,300
,, ,, Continent	114,000	51,000	94,000
Total receipts since 1st Sept..	3,111,000	3,573,000	3,223,000
,, exports to U. K. ,, ,,	1,180,000	1,209,000	1,191,000
,, ,, Cont. ,, ,,	791,000	918,000	697,000
,, Stock in the Ports	836,000	976,000	1,026,000

The total visible supply of Cotton for all Europe on 14th instant affords the following comparisons with the two previous years:—

	1888.	1887.	1886.
Total supply of all kinds	2,570,000	2,993,650	[2,921,250
,, Surats	138,000	285,920	241,000

For the United Kingdom only the figures are:—

Stock in Liverpool	495,000	569,700	572,570
,, London	8,000	33,000	13,000
American Afloat	270,000	270,000	251,000
East Indian ,,	15,000	17,000	35,000
	788,000	888,700	871,570
Price of Mid-Americans	5 7-16d.	5⅛d.	5⅛d.
,, Good Fair Dhollera	4⅛d.	4 3-16d.	3⅛d.
Difference	13-16d.	1 7-16d.	1⅛d.

Without any quotable change in prices, our local market for the staple has been fairly steady to-day, and a moderate business has transpired. A line of Fine Broach for February delivery has been booked at Rs. 236 per candy; and in ready new Cotton, Bengals have changed hands at Rs. 172-188 according to quality; Julgaum, at Rs. 214½; and Dhulia, at Rs. 203 per candy.

WHEAT.—The active demand which has latterly been felt in this market has subsided to a great extent, and to-day's transactions have again been on a comparatively small scale. Prices, however, have not receded, and we call the market steady at our last quotations.

SEEDS also have again been in less request, and only a moderate business has been reported to-day in *Linseed*, while in other descriptions there is nothing to speak of doing. Previous rates are quoted all round.

The Receipts of Produce into Bombay yesterday were as follows:—

Cotton	4,797 bales.
Wheat	24,184 cwt.
Linseed	3,121 ,,
Rapeseed	2,214 ,,
Gingelly	4,427 ,,

FREIGHTS are firm but still with little doing. Cotton for Trieste has been booked by Austrian Lloyd's steamer for January shipment at Rs. 18§ per ton, but little else has transpired to-day.

EXCHANGE has been quiet at last evening's closing quotations, but few bills have been coming out, and altogether there has been hardly sufficient business doing to test the market. Our current sales may be taken also as for forward transactions to March and 1-32d. less thereafter. We quote:—

GOVERNMENT PAPER.—In response to Calcutta telegrams quoting Four per cents for money at 97§, this market opened with a much stronger feeling, and rates were quoted at 97 11-16 both for cash and the next account, and at 97§ for February, with buyers on all lines, the market closing with a steady feeling at these rates. The other Paper remains at 103 nominal.

SHARES.—There has been less passing in this market, and the only changes which we have to note this evening in Mill shares are a decline of Rs. 15 each on Manockjee Petit and Oriental, at Rs. 1,210 and Rs. 450, respectively; of Rs. 5 each in Alliance and Khatao Mucconji, at Rs. 620 and Rs. 745, respectively; and an advance of Rs. 30, in Bombay United, at Rs. 425; of Rs. 5 in Empress, at Rs. 730; and of Rs. 2½ in Mazagon, at Rs. 157½. Bombay-Burma Trading shares were Rs. 25 lower, at Rs. 3,335, and the third issue Rs. 5 down, at Rs. 825. Port Canning shares declined Rs. 5, to Rs. 360.

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LISTS.

BANKS.

	Shares.	Amt.	Paid up.	Last Dividend.	Quot. Rate.
INDIAN ANES.		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.
Bank of Bombay	20,000	500	all	13 pct.	927½
Bank of Bengal	45,000	500	all	10 do.	990
Bank of Madras	10,000	500	all	14 do.	910
EXCHANGE BANK.					
Agra Bank	20,000	5	4	6 do.	120
Bogs. and Exch. st. Co-operative	63,000	100	all	17½ do.	619
National Bank of India	27,220	250		5 pct.	135

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

BOMBAY.

MARRIAGE.

REDMAYNE—BELL—December 10, at the Colaba Wesleyan Chapel, by the Rev. G. Cluttenbuck, J. Redmayne, of the S. S. & C. I. Ry., to Annie Marie, second daughter of J. Jardine Bell, Manchester, England.

DEATH.

SUNTOOK—December 16, at his residence, Gamdavie Road, opposite Mr. Nusserwanjee Petit's bungalow, Mr. Hormusjee Ardaseer Suntook, aged 40. Funeral at 7 this (Monday) morning.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

HARDY—December 13, at Jhansi, the wife of R G Hardy, Bengal Civil Service, of a daughter.
McDERMOTT—December 7, at Rawalpindi, the wife of Mr T McDermott, Post Master, of a son.
STANUELL—December 8, at Dagshai, the wife of Captain H Stanuell, Royal Scots Fusiliers, of a daughter.

DEATHS.

DANNENBERG—December 9, at Mussoorie, of croup, Harold Robert Otto, the dearly loved infant son of Mr. and Mrs J C A Dannenberg.
HEWETT—December 5, at Allahabad, Gerald Brownlow, the dearly loved son of Captain W S Hewett, Bengal Staff Corps, and of Minna, his wife, aged 9 months and 20 days.
MEILKE—December 8, at Cawnpore, George Blair Meilke, late of Dunfermline, N B, aged 33 years.
NAGONA—December 10, at Dehra Dun, Joseph Nagona, aged 47.
PETRIE—December 13, at 30, Park Street, Calcutta, David Robert Petrie, aged 41 years.

The Bombay Gazette

MONDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1888.

IN a sulky and spiteful letter some remarkable misrepresentations have been put forward in regard to the address presented to the retiring Viceroy by the Bombay Corporation. The writer, for reasons best known to himself, withholds his name. But he tells the world that in *his* opinion ("in *my* opinion, and in that of many"—a droll parody of the *ego et rex meus* of a great Cardinal!) the address presented to Lord Dufferin was "an utter failure by reason of its imperfections alike in commission and omission." Disregarding the maxim about comparisons, this disinterested vindicator of Municipal proprieties sets the address beside that of the Chamber of Commerce, so that "its dwarfishness and zig-zaggedness is (*sic*) at once apparent." The "arrangement of the words is miserable," there is no "crispness" or "decisiveness" in the "language,"—which the writer regards as something different from the "words" of the address. This purist, no doubt, believes that such terms as "dwarfishness" and "zig-zaggedness" would have given literary grace and epigrammatic force to the words which made up the "language" of the miserable document in question, and he has a right to say so, if he himself or any of his friends attach value to verbal criticism. The tone of the lucubration deprives the anonymity prudently resorted to of much of its efficacy, while suggesting the possibility that the misstatements and the innuendoes are not altogether the result of misapprehension or honest error. The writer asserts "that the entire omission [from the address] of the great feature of Lord Dufferin's administration is as remarkable as it is ignoble. It cannot be regarded as the address of the Bombay Corporation, or of a majority of the Corporation. It was allowed to go forward because it is unusual for public bodies to discuss or criticise such addresses, and because the Corporation trusted the individual who prepared it." The quotation will be continued presently. The writer makes four distinct allegations. The implication is that the omission complained of and stigmatised as ignoble, was due to the individual who prepared the draft of the address, that the Corporation put its trust in an individual, that in accordance with the usual practice the address was not subjected to discussion or criticism, and that the confidence of the Corporation was betrayed.

The innuendo is clear. What are the facts? The attempt to discredit the address which was presented proceeds from a certain source which we need not stop now to identify. But it is necessary to state that this unscrupulous endeavour to misrepresent and discredit the address after it has been presented, was preceded by manœuvres to prevent any address whatever from being given. It was represented that such addresses are meaningless; that to give them shows a want of independence; that Lord Dufferin had done nothing to merit such a compliment. The annexation of Burma was spoken of as specially reprehensible, and contrary to native ideas and feelings. The measures taken for the defence of the frontier and the strengthening of the Bombay defences were pooh-poohed as either unnecessary or quite things of course, for which no credit was due to anybody. This view, industriously put about by mischievous marplots, found some credence among the more molluscuous of the Native members of the Corporation. But to do them justice, the notion of inflicting a slight upon the retiring Viceroy did not originate in Native brains. The inspiration came from one who uses as his tools an irresponsible section of the Municipal Corporation, as they in their turn use him for their own purposes. The suggestion that no address should be voted fell through owing to the good sense and loyalty of the Corporation as a body. Sir Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy's proposal to present an address was carried without a dissentient voice. A Committee was appointed in the usual way to draw up the address, and an address was drafted under the instructions of that Committee by its chairman, and was approved. In the meanwhile the mischief-makers were busy. Departing from all precedent, a motion was made in the Corporation that the Committee should submit the draft of the address to the Corporation for discussion, and this motion was carried without debate. The purpose of this ingenious innovation on established usage was unwittingly disclosed in a native paper, which recommended that to avoid unpleasant debate, the intention to present an address should be abandoned. The manœuvre was evident, and it was foiled. Those who were endeavouring to give effect to this uncouth and perverse incivism were invited to specify the grounds of their objection to the address. It was found that they objected to the matters which the arch-mischief-maker had told them to regard as objectionable. The objections seemed to the majority of the Committee to be trivial and unworthy, and it was determined, rather than submit to the excision of all that gave body and purpose to the expression of the opinion of the Corporation upon four years of an eventful viceroyalty, to accept open debate, and leave it to the detractors and their anonymous but not unknown instigator to make good their objection in the face of the public. Before this firm attitude, the bulk of the objections disappeared. If on one or two points they were allowed to prevail, the concession to carpers cannot be taken as an indication that either the Committee or the majority of the Corporation failed to understand what was due to the city and to the departing Viceroy.

The anonymous but easily identified writer who asserts that the omission of reference to the pacification of Burma was "ignoble," would perhaps have been right if his affectation of disapproval had reference to the origin of the omission in question. The attempt to fix upon those who drafted the address the responsibility for the omission—shows, if not deliberate bad faith, a reckless indifference to facts. That the writer is not careful of his reputation for fairness or accuracy—which, it is true, is of the smallest—is shown in the sentence which immediately follows the passage we have quoted above. "That it (the address) was received with a snub is apparent from Lord Dufferin's reply. The allusion to the want of knowledge evinced by some people in India, who neither appreciate nor understand the considerations which impose upon Government a special line of action, because they live at one extremity of the Empire, while the events which they ignore occur at the other end, is as keen and incisive a rebuke as could well be publicly administered." If we turn to Lord Dufferin's reply we shall see what an unpardonable liberty has been here taken with what his lordship said. Lord Dufferin, so far from censuring—or "snubbing"—the Corporation, gave cordial and courteous acknowledgment of the fact that, although the north-west frontier was so remote from Bombay, the Corporation had the intelligence and the patriotism to approve of the expenditure incurred to render it secure. This well-merited compliment is set down with stupid malice as a "snub," administered to the Corporation! Unfortunately the compliment cannot be taken as applicable to every individual member of the Corporation. Had the puny marplot been permitted to have his way, there would have been no reference to the strengthened frontiers—there would have been no address at all! Such mischief-mongers are not the men who either on the frontier or in Burma share in the labour and the danger of those who serve the Government and the country. They are content to stop in "ignoble" ease in Bombay offices, doing easy work, and very little even of that. They spend their unprofitable lives in disparaging men whose chief offence seems to be that they act up to another ideal of duty, contrasting unpleasantly with laxer views which often secure, if they do not always justify, a more leisured existence. People of that way of thinking do not present addresses to anybody; they advertize themselves by proclaiming that they abstain from such follies or by making proposals at which all India laughs in their faces. That is their affair; no one is one penny the worse. But when they take to writing or inspiring letters containing statements which are not true the time has come to show them that no amount of manipulation can alter facts or make black white.

M. DE LESSEPS' resignation of the Presidency of the Panama Canal Company is a serious blow to the prospect of the enterprise the situation of which has for some time been precarious. It is just possible, however, that it may have been resorted to, not as a final confession of the financial hopelessness of the undertaking, but in order to put pressure upon the Government to "do something" for a scheme which the public have shown a growing disinclination to help out of its difficulties. The Cabinet, it was announced a few days ago, were concerting measures for improving the position of the Company. These measures now appear to have been laid before the Chamber of Deputies, and their chief feature seems to be a provision for suspending the payment of the obligations of the Company. The majority of the Committee of the Chamber who have been appointed to report upon the project, are unfavourable to it, regarding it probably as an unwarrantable interference with the rights of the shareholders and bondholders, who have drawn interest during construction, and who, like all small proprietors, think more of getting their interest to-day than of any consideration of the ultimate expediency of paying interest before any profit has been earned. But as the Bill is a Government measure, M. Floquet may be disposed to go down to the Chamber and make a Cabinet question of it. Some months ago, when authorization for the Panama Lottery Loan Bill was asked for, the Committee of the Chamber were at first inclined to report against the Bill, but pressure was put upon them and the Bill was carried, and it is just possible that something of the kind may occur again, though there is of course the alternative hypothesis that M. de Lesseps' resignation may be a definite measure, and a final confession of failure. That point will be made clear in a day or two. He has until very recently spoken as hopefully as ever of the ultimate success of the enterprise, and has named June 1890 as the time at which the Canal will be open for traffic. But the financial fates have been against him. The lottery loan took very badly indeed. It was issued in the form of bonds—two millions of the nominal value of 360 francs each, a total of seven hundred and twenty millions of francs, or nearly twenty-nine millions sterling. But 1,200,000 of the bonds remained unsubscribed, and the last that was heard of the loan was that M. de Lesseps and his son were out on a tour in the provinces, organizing committees of the proprietary to dispose of them. As there are six hundred thousand shareholders and bondholders, it was pointed out that if each of them would take two of the new bonds the problem would be solved. But an objection seems to have sprung up to throwing away good money after bad, and very few of the balance of bonds have been subscribed. The shares of the company, the par value of which is five hundred francs, were three weeks ago quoted at 260 francs.

A CURIOUS case, affecting the religious toleration of the Parsis, has been filed in the District Court of Nowsari, subject to the territorial jurisdiction of His Highness the Gaekwar. It appears that Messrs. Nasarvanjee Ardeshir Wadia and Jamsetjee Bomanjee Wadia, trustees of the Chief Wadia Fire-temple in Bombay, have built an *agiary* (fire-temple) at Nowsari for the benefit of such laymen and priests as are opposed by the desais, dustoors, and priests of that town, owing to the differences that have subsisted for the last six years between the high priest and the said trustees on the one part and the priestcraft of Nowsari on the other, known as the Bhugaria sect, and which dispute had formed the subject of a prolonged enquiry in the High Court in Bombay. The ceremony of enthroning the sacred fire in the new building has been fixed for Monday, the 24th instant; but a deputation of the Bhugarias, headed by the dustoors and desais of Nowsari, waited upon the Gaekwar's Minister at Baroda, requesting his interference in order to prevent the completion of the new fire-temple, as it was considered by them an encroachment on their ancient rights and privileges. On the principle of *audi alteram partem*, the Dewan called upon the said trustees for their version of the matter. One of the trustees, Mr. Jamsetjee B. Wadia, accompanied by Dustoor Dorab Pashotun Sanjana, B.A., went to Baroda, and having fully explained the subject in all its bearings, the Dewan in Council referred the Nowsari deputation to the civil courts of the district for redress. Accordingly they have [illegible] a suit, claiming Rs. 2,500 as damages for alleged encroachment on their rights and privileges. They then [illegible] Court on last Thursday for [illegible] restraining the Wadias from [illegible] fire-temple. The Wadias were [illegible] to the occasion, and appealed [illegible] High Court at Baroda, which [illegible] sides, dissolved the injunction [illegible] of consecrating the temple [illegible] yesterday, and the sacred [illegible] its appointed altar on the [illegible]

A COMMITTEE is being [illegible] Henry Morland will [illegible] for the purpose of dealing [illegible] in aid of the sufferers [illegible] steamer Vaiturna. Sir [illegible] a similar capacity on [illegible] at the time of the Sp[illegible] bring to bear upon the [illegible] committee the benefit [illegible] In the constitution of the [illegible] be hoped that the Cutchi [illegible] munities will be strongly represented.

THE Viceroy has accepted the [illegible] nelcy of the Calcutta Volunteers.

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TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

STANLEY AND EMIN PASHA.

LONDON, Dec. 14.

[illegible] letter from Osman Digna to General Gren- [illegible] claims the details of the surrender of the [illegible] Province to the Mahdists, and the [illegible] Pasha and the white traveller by [illegible] leader. Osman also encloses a [illegible] which gives the date of Emin's [illegible]th. A letter is also enclosed [illegible] white traveller, and is [illegible]tter which the Khedive [illegible]ha in October 1887.

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[illegible] the letter enclosed [illegible], he himself drafted. [illegible]ture of Emin Pasha

[illegible]YTIATIONS.

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[illegible], Mr. Goschen, reply- [illegible]e Government would [illegible]ertain whether there [illegible] statements made in [illegible]o General Grenfell, and [illegible]e was any hope of nego- [illegible] of the captives. It was, [illegible]e in the meanwhile to sus- [illegible]perations for the relief of Suakin, but [illegible]ll not be hurried before Monday, when the [illegible]n will be debated in the Commons.

SPEECH BY MR. GLADSTONE

[illegible]. Gladstone, speaking at Limehouse yesterday, [illegible]rply complained of the Unionists sitting on [illegible]e opposition benches in Parliament. As regards [illegible]Suakin, he said that neither the interests of Eng- land nor Egypt required the retention of such a trumpery place. He then propounded a political programme, which included a triennial Parliament and free education.

THE PARNELL COMMISSION.

The Parnell Commission has adjourned until January the 15th, when Mr. William O'Brien will have to answer a charge of contempt of court in publishing an article in *United Ireland* calculated to intimidate the witnesses examined by the Commission.

A CONSERVATIVE VICTORY.

Mr. Cornwallis, the Conservative candidate, has defeated Mr. Barker, the Liberal candidate for Maidstone, by a majority of one hundred and eighty-five votes, in the place of Major Ross, the deceased member.

THE PANAMA CANAL.

PARIS, Dec. 15.

Count Lesseps and the Directors of the Panama Canal Company have resigned, and liquidators have been appointed. This is owing to the nomination of a Committee of the Chamber of Deputies who are principally hostile to the Government Bill enabling the Company to defer payments pending fresh arrangements.

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The Chamber of Deputies have rejected the Government Bill for assisting the Panama Canal Company.

THE EAST AFRICAN COMPANY.

BERLIN, Dec. 14.

A debate has taken place in the Reichstag on the East African Company. Count Herbert Bismarck urged the formation of a Colonial Corps of nine hundred men officered by white men to maintain the authority of the German Government.

PERSIA AND RUSSIA.

TEHERAN, Dec. 15.

The Persian Government have assented to the nomination of a Russian Consul at Meshed.

MR. GLADSTONE ON INDIAN POLITICS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, SUNDAY.

In his speech at Limehouse yesterday, Mr. Gladstone censured Lord Salisbury for using an expression which had given offence to many millions of our fellow subjects in India. The public in England, he said, waited for an apology, as he believed people in India waited for one. The people of India were in a condition most interesting to every man qualified to comprehend the large principles and responsibilities of English dominion. They were people of an awakening mind, and were desiring to enter more and more into the public life of their own country, which was beginning to have a public life of its own. I rejoice, he proceeded, to say that never was there a period when the principles of loyalty to the Queen and the English power were as high as now. But contemptuous denunciation by the Prime Minister of England was not the way to increase that feeling. You may have observed that they are endeavouring to cultivate amongst themselves the development of public opinion. They are meeting in what is called Congresses. I can only say this—that I have read many of their declarations, and am delighted at the spirit both of intelligence and attachment to their country which they manifest. Our business is to foster and nourish that sentiment, and to avoid the indignities of either indifference to their interesting work or contempt for their feeling.

THE SIKKIM FORCE.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 16.

The whole of the Sikkim force will remain in Sikkim for the present, being distributed among the places where the climate is good.

A FRONTIER ATTACK.

The Tashen and Chins attacked the camp of the 42nd Gurkhas at Sihaung, but were repulsed with a loss of some 20 or 30 killed, and many wounded. The Lushais are again becoming troublesome, having recently attacked a Kuki village and killed 20 men and women, including a Rani. An expedition against them is thought not improbable

THE CALCUTTA CHILD-WIFE MURDER.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 16.

Yesterday, before the High Court here, Sodabodh Bhuttacharjya, who was accused of murdering his child-wife, aged eleven years, was found guilty unanimously by a mixed jury, and sentenced to be hanged.

The evidence against the accused, as already stated, was purely circumstantial, nothing direct being adduced.

THE KARENNI EXPEDITION.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, Dec. 15.

The two Upper Burma columns to operate against Sawlapaw, and numbering 510 men with two Mountain guns under Brigadier-General Collett, are to rendezvous at Fort Stedman by the end of the present month, and then move southwards to eastern Karenni upon Sawlon, the capital of that State. The Siamese are to co-operate from the left bank of the Salween, as they have suffered also from the depredations of the Karennis.

The Expedition against the Kachins of Mogoung district, which assembles at Mogoung by 1st January, consists of 50 of the Hampshire Regiment, 200 the 17th Bengal, and two guns of the No. 1 Bengal Mountain Battery. It was at first thought that General White himself would conduct the operation, but it is understood now that the senior Officer will command as far as Mogoung. At the latter place, where some 600 of the Goorkha Police Force are posted Lieutenant O'Donnel, commandant of the Police Battalion, will move against several Kachin tribes in detail with Goorkhas and guns, leaving the 17th Bengals in the reserve at Mogoung.

Sir George White, I understand, will leave Mandalay in a few days to direct personally the Chin expedition from Kamballe.

THE AMERICAN MISSIONARIES.

The American Missionaries here are very indignant at the statement in the secret Blue Book issued from the Burma Secretariat that their influence over the Karens depended chiefly on their ability to procure arms for them, and that they had imbibed all the race prejudices of their flocks against the Burman. After the noble way they and their flocks had stood by the Government in the late troubles they say shedding their blood freely and performing signal services, such reflections on them have naturally aroused great indignation, and they await the arrival of the Chief Commissioner to demand explanations. They are more incensed, as their request to the Secretariat for a copy of the pamphlet has been refused. The whole feeling of the Burma community regarding the pamphlet is one of condemnation.

THE NATIONAL CONGRESS.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

RAJKOT, Dec. 16.

At a public meeting held in the People's Park here to-day, Messrs. Hormasji Wadya, Sitaram Pandit Vinackrao, Kothare Nagindas, Kaji Lalubhai, Desai Ghanshyam, Pandit Kasidas, Kaji Abubaker, Merwanji Mancherji, Haridas Vora, and Amritlal Karsonji, were elected delegates to represent the locality at the forthcoming Congress. Although the notice calling the meeting was extremely short, it was well attended. The speeches were remarkably loyal, and the meeting concluded with three cheers for the Queen-Empress.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

PLYMOUTH, Dec. 14.

The B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Dorunda arrived here from Calcutta, Madras and Colombo this morning.

SUEZ, Dec. 14.

The B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Manora homeward bound from Calcutta, Madras and Colombo left here this afternoon.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, Dec. 14.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed steady. Surat steady.

Good Fair Dhollera	4⅜

The Manchester Market has been firm.

7 lbs. Shirtings	5-2
8¼ lbs. „	6-2
40s. Mule Twist	8¼
Exchange on India, 30 days' sight	1-4 1-16
2¾ per cent. Consols for account	96⅛
3 per cent. French Rentes	83
4 per cent. Rupee Paper	66 1-16
4½ per cent. „	70⅜
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan	105
Bar Silver	42 9-16

LIVERPOOL WEEKLY COTTON REPORT.

Total Week's sales of Cotton	60,000	bales.
„ „ „ Surats	3,000	„
„ „ Imports of Cotton	139,000	„
„ „ „ Surats	Nil.	„
„ Stock of Cotton	495,000	„
„ „ Surats	36,000	„
„ Stock of Cotton in London	8,000	„

TELEGRAPHIC LINE REPORT.

(DECEMBER 16.)

STATE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION.

GREAT BRITAIN.—*Via* Teheran, perfect. *Via* Turkey perfect. *Via* Suez, perfect.

CONTINENT OF EUROPE.—*Via* Teheran, perfect. *Via* Turkey, perfect. *Via* Suez, perfect.

AMERICA.—*Via* Brest, perfect. *Via* Valentia, perfect. *Via* Direct Cable, perfect.

AUSTRALIA.—*Via* Penang, perfect. *Via* Amoor, perfect.

CHINA.—*Via* Penang, perfect. *Via* Amoor, perfect.

Cable Perim and Suakin still interrupted.

Cable Trinidad Demerara interrupted. Telegrams sent by boat will be delayed about three days.

THERMOMETER READINGS.

SATURDAY, NIGHT, Dec. 15.

10 p.m.	76·3

SUNDAY, Dec. 16.

6 a.m.	73·1
10 a.m.	80·5
2 p.m.	89·0
4 p.m.	86·1

TELEGRAPHIC WEATHER REPORT.

SIMLA, Dec. 16.—The barometer change is again small and unimportant, except in southern India, where it has risen briskly or rapidly. The storm has hence completely broken up; but there is a slight depression off the Malabar Coast which has caused a slight increase in the force of winds on the west coast as far north as Bombay. Showers fell in southern India yesterday. The only important amount reported is two inches at Madura. This storm probably ends the north-east monsoon rains in southern India. The condition is unchanged in the northern and central India, where dry cool clear weather obtains.

THE VAITURNA RELIEF FUND.

The following subscriptions have been received for the relief of sufferers by the loss of the Vaiturna:—

	Rs.
His Excellency Lord Reay	100
Messrs. Ralli Brothers	250
A. K.	100
The Florio-Rubattino Co.	100
Mr. Ardesir Framji	100
Mr. S. D. Sassoon	100
Mr. G. F. Sheppard, C. S.	50

NOTES FROM NEEMUCH.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

NEEMUCH, Dec. 14.

We are now fairly into the cold weather, and very delightful and bracing it is. Neemuch, as regards situation and surroundings, is at all times a pleasant station, but in the cold season it is simply perfect, and one could not wish for a better climate. Yet it is about the best abused station on this side of India. Residents dislike it because it is dull, but that is the fault of the people and not of the place. Then, again, it is called unhealthy, because it has occasional outbursts of fever. To tell the truth, there was a great deal of fever prevalent during the past months of September and October. The worst cases occurred among the soldiers, and were of a typhoid type, but it is hardly fair to attribute the outbreak to the climate, as the doctors unanimously came to the conclusion that it was occasioned by bad milk. It was discovered that most of the patients had been in the habit of drinking milk supplied by the cows of one particular village. Native milkmen have not the slightest conscience as regards the feeding of their animals, and it is well-known that milk from cows fed on stable refuse, &c., is as deadly in its effects as diseased meat or slow poison could be. It is astonishing that in this country a much stricter supervision is not kept over the feeding of cows and that severe punishment is not meted out to dealers who sell bad milk to the public. I understand that, thanks to the representations of the medical men, the matter has been taken up here, and arrangements are being made by which cows supplying milk for the consumption of the soldiers will be kept in paddocks and their food supervised.

General Gillespie, accompanied by Colonel Hallows, visited this station last week. He arrived at noon on Monday, the 3rd, and left on Friday, the 7th, and, judging from the amount of inspection he got through during his short stay, he must have had a busy time of it. On Monday afternoon he visited the 2nd Lancer Lines, inspecting the saddlery, &c. On Tuesday morning he inspected the two batteries of Artillery, and in the evening the station hospital. On Wednesday morning he took a marching-order parade of the 2nd Lancers, and in the evening saw the same regiment parade on foot. On Thursday morning he inspected the detachment of the Royal Dublin Fusiliers, and in the afternoon of the same day was present at the regimental sports of the 2nd Lancers. On Friday morning he visited the lancer rides, and while there, took the opportunity of expressing his satisfaction with everything he had seen in this remarkably fine regiment.

The programme of the 2nd Lancer sports was as follows:—

I.—Finalties of Lance vs. Lance. II.—Final Lance vs. Sword. III.—Final Sword vs. Sword. IV.—Section Tent-Pegging. V.—Section heads, posts, and rings. VI.—Wrestling on horseback.

There was a large gathering present to witness the sports, and much interest was evinced in everything that was done, particularly in the section tent-pegging, which was almost perfect, one section taking the whole of the pegs in one run and in the remaining two runs taking three out of four pegs. At the conclusion of the sports, General Gillespie awarded a prize of Rs. 16 to the best turned out man, in marchug order. Six men representing the different troops competed. After a good deal of close scrutiny two men were picked out of these, but they were both in such perfect order that it was impossible to decide which was the better, and therefore the prize was divided between them.

THE PROGRESS OF CIVILIZATION AT JALGAON.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

JALGAON, Dec. 13.

The usual monotomy of this station was broken yesterday by the arrival of our former Assistant Collector, Mr. J. Pollen, who stayed here for a few hours on his way back to Sind. His object in breaking his journey here was apparently to have a look at his old charge, and to inaugurate a movement in connexion with the memory of the late Mr. Walabdas Walji of Bombay, who did so much for the well-being of Jalgaon some years ago. Dr. Pollen first walked round the town, seeing the roads, road-side trees, market places, public buildings, water-works, and other municipal improvements commenced in his time; and subsequently an *impromptu* but crowded meeting was held in the Town Hall, where Dr. Pollen congratulated the Commissioners and townspeople on the success of local self-government as evidenced by what he had seen. He declared that the Jalgaon people might well be proud of their broad, regularly laid-out, and well-shaded streets, and that in these respects Jalgaon was second only to Jeypur; that much of this was due to the far-seeing policy of Mr. Ashburner, who had taken up all land within two miles of the railway station upwards of twenty-five years ago and had divided it into building plots with due provision for roads, &c. He as Assistant Collector had taken care of what Mr. Ashburner had planted; and he was glad to see that the Commissioners had taken care of what he (Dr. Pollen) had planted and had also planted for themselves. The result was that Jalgaon compared favourably with most Indian cities.

Dr. Pollen then passed on to speak of Mr Walabdas Walji, than whom, he declared, he had never met a more able, upright, clear-headed, amiable, and benevolent Indian merchant—a man to whom Jalgaon owed the initiation of its charitable dispensary, and to whose kindly sympathy and ready assistance so many in Jalgaon were indebted. For his own part, he said he knew no native gentleman for whom he entertained a higher respect than he had entertained for the late Mr. Walabdas. It was, therefore, a work specially grateful to him to help towards perpetuating the name of this worthy shet in Jalgaon, and he was glad of the opportunity of presiding at his memorial meeting. After seventeen years' service in India he could assert without hesitation that the people of this land were as a rule a kindly, warm-hearted, and, above all, a grateful people. They did not forget old friends, and their kindly words and actions were not (as some thoughtless people asserted) prompted by the hope of future advantage. They constantly showed and proved their gratitude. When the object thereof was powerless for good or ill, they had shown this by their enthusiastic farewell to Lord Ripon, and by the generous way they cherished the memory of the statesman who, they believed, had really tried to do them good; and recently Dr. Pollen had some opportunity of seeing the kindly and grateful feelings displayed at Broach to Mr Ashburner, who was certainly no longer in a position to help or hurt any one. For himself he was constantly meeting with unexpected proofs of kindly remembrance, and he knew that the fact that Mr. Walabdas was no longer in the land of the living had not operated to produce oblivion of his many kindly deeds while here. His many friends did, he felt sure, respond readily and gratefully to the call made upon them, and help to commemorate his memory. The only question was what form should the memorial take. A good public library had been suggested as a want of the town, and Dr. Pollen thought that, had Mr. Walabdas lived, he would willingly have endowed such an institution. He would, therefore, propose that funds be subscribed towards the erection of a good public library to be called "The Walabdas Walji Library."

A subscription list, headed by Dr. Pollen, was then passed round, with the result that Rs. 500 were subscribed on the spot. A committee composed of the Sub-Judge, R. S. Ramchander Ballal Balpat, Rao Saheb Hari Sakharam, Mamlutdar, Dr. Magaulal Motilal, R. S. Chotiram Shivalal, Mr. Govardhandas Motiram, manager of Messrs. Volkart and Brothers' Press, Messrs. Pandurang Luximan, Narayen Dhakdeo, vice-president, Gopindas Sundardas, Sitaram Mahadeo, and others, was appointed, and the proceedings terminated with the distribution of *pan soopari* and roses. Mr. Walabdes Waljee's memory is much revered in Jalgaon, and every one here hopes that the proposed memorial will be worthy of his name. A sum of Rs 5,000 is required to erect a suitable building, and it is hoped that some of Mr. Walabdas's Bombay friends will help.

WINTER AT BELGAUM.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

BELGAUM, Dec. 15.

Belgaum has sunk into such a complete state of inanition that a newsletter is a feat impossible—dry as the dust that flies about at all hours and spoils all it alights on must be the "Notes" "Your Own" struggles to send you. All our illustrious visiters have come and gone, the East wind is our only perpetual visitant. The weather, which for a few days seemed as hot as during the actual hot weather, has become cold enough to please the most inveterate growler. The air is so keen that one cannot fancy that snow is not its associate. Last night was just freezing—regular English Christmas weather. No one can complain of bad butter. The butter is so hard now-a-days that it has to be heated before spreading it on bread. The cream, too, can almost rival that of Devonshire. One can hardly believe that Christmas is so near here; there are no shops more ambitious than the little bazaar-shops near the Crawford Market in Bombay, so that no outward sign of Christmas is seen.

Huge posters, picturing men in every position but a natural one, elephants trying to stand on drums, and other similar astounding sights are placarded about our walls—all announcing the fact that Professor Chatre, whoever he may be, is about to honour Belgaum with a sight of his world-renowned circus troupe. Anyone or anything will be heartily welcome that breaks the intense monotony at present prevailing, so we wish all good to Professor Chatre, and trust some more of his ilk will follow in his wake. A little time ago, a young rhinoceros was brought to Belgaum for exhibition. The show-man told me it had been captured in the jungles of Assam, taken from Assam to Calcutta by rail, and from the "city of palaces" was brought here on foot, stopping at each village for exhibition. The animal was young—not more than two years old—and by no means a good specimen of its race—probably its peregrinations had not agreed with its constitution.

Last evening a Magic Lantern was exhibited by the Rev. J. Hawker, of the London Mission, to all his Sunday School children. Several soldiers were present too. The views were very far above the average, many of them being photographs of statuary at Rome. One series represented the second part of Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress; another, views of various well known public buildings in London and Rome; and yet another, a set of views illustrated the life of our Lord. All were beautiful, and the children as well as the grown-up people who saw them seemed thoroughly to have appreciated the treat.

Next Tuesday, General and Mrs. Cox are to have a big *fete* for all the schools, regimental and civil. An assault-at-arms is to be given during Christmas week. So, after all, we shall not be quite enveloped in despondency. The east wind is playing havoc with the rose trees, and it is feared that our church decorations will of necessity be very meagre.

THEATRICALS AT BHOSAWAL.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

BHOSAWAL, Dec. 15.

The Khandeish amateurs gave their second dramatic performance in this station on Tuesday evening before a highly appreciative audience. The room was not quite so well filled as at the first entertainment, the exigencies of traffic necessitating the absence of some from the station who would otherwise have attended. Without wishing to exult over them, however, I can only say of all absentees that they missed a real treat. The two pieces selected for performance, "Bamboozling" and "Boots at the Swan," were well chosen, and I can strongly recommend them as being specially adapted to the amateur stage, where, as a rule, space is limited. Since the last performance here considerable alterations and improvements have been made in this respect. The decorations, which were extremely pretty, produced a very charming effect when the curtain was raised—a fact which the audience lost no time in recognising. The characters were well sustained throughout. The fact that the leading lady's part was entrusted to Miss Abbott and that of Captain Bamboozle to Mr. Sarjant was in itself sufficient to ensure success Miss Abott in a most becoming costume looked very pretty and acted in her usual finished style, whilst Mr. Sarjant made a capital Bamboozle and sustained the part in a most spirited manner. Mrs. Abbott and Miss Duffy made the most of their parts, particularly the former, who made her first appearance on the stage. Mr. Archer is an actor of considerable experience, and performed the part of the baronet in a manner leaving little to be desired. The minor characters of Frank and Doiley of course call for no special comment.

During the interval between the plays the song by Mr. Tisdall and pianoforte piece by Miss Abbott were loudly applauded. Precisely at the appointed hour the curtain rose for "Boots at the Swan." Those who have not seen this excellent farce should take the first opportunity of doing so, and if played by the Khandeish amateurs all the better, for their acting was good throughout. Mrs. Kiddle's asthetic costume was most striking, and her acting, such as is rarely seen on an amateur stage, greatly delighted the audience. Miss Abbott's impersonation of Sally Smith left little room for improvement and she quickly won the sympathies of all who heard her. Miss Duffy both looked and played her part very nicely. Captain Briskly, an exceedingly volatile gentleman, was played to perfection by Mr. Tisdall, and his amusing bye-play with Sally fairly brought the house down. Mr. Sarjant as Henry Higgins acted in a manner which left nothing to be desired. As to Boots (Mr. Moriarty) few could have taken the part better than this justly popular actor, his first appearance on the stage being sufficient to produce a smile which ere long developed into laughter, loud and prolonged. The house had every reason to thank him for having stirred up their risible faculties to the utmost. Peter Pippin (Mr. Archer, junior), though quite a beginner, acted most creditably and exhibited an astounding capacity for consuming jam, which he extracted from a pot capable of holding about 9 pounds. On the whole a most enjoyable evening was spent, which terminated in a dance given by the performers, with the assistance of Mr Barton (secretary), whose decorations in the way of Chinese lanterns and flags were greatly admired. We trust here that the amateurs may favour us with at least one more performance before the end of the present cold season.

THE LOSS OF THE S. S. VAITURNA.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Your leader in this morning's issue commenting on the want of a proper storm-warning system on the coast of Western India is in the right direction. At the same time what the public want to know is whether the Vaiturna was seaworthy or not when she left Kutch Mandvie, unballasted and full of passengers.

Although no storm-warning was available in the case of the B. I. S. N Co.'s steamers, the Purulia and the Pachumba, they both weathered the so called cyclone without straining a rope-yarn. All the strom-warning in the world will not compensate for want of ballast. My own belief, founded on a long and varied sea experience, is that the Vaiturna and all vessels of her class, with no ballast on board and 700 or 800 passengers, are not fit in all respects to perform the voyage between Kutch Mandvie and Bombay.

"Custom House Officer," writing in your paper of this morning, mentions the Hindoo, a coasting steamer of 13 tons nett, but 420 tons gross register measurement, with a license to carry 1,004 passengers. But it must be remembered that the Hindoo is much longer, has more beam, and more depth than the Vaiturna and her class. She has, moreover, more than four times the horse-power, she was built under the special inspection of Lloyd's, and holds the highest class in Lloyd's Register—100 A-1. She is also commanded by one of the most experienced European navigators on the coast. In other respects "Custom House Officer's" letter was excellent and pregnant with important facts for the consideration of Government and the marine authorities.

Dec. 15. PLIMSOLL.

THE BOMBAY GYMKHANA SCRATCH RACES.

SECOND DAY.

The Bombay Gymkhana brought their race meeting very successfully to a close on Saturday evening. In point of attendance and in the large fields in each event, the second and concluding day was far better than the first. A very large company filled the Grand Stand, and the Stewards' Stand was equally well patronised, while the natives fringed the course in dense crowds. Considering that this was a scratch meeting, the successful way in which it came off speaks well for the vitality of the Bombay Gymkhana, and the future events of the same character promise to be meetings well worth the renewed patronage of sporting men.

While on the subject of race meetings and the support accorded them, it may not be out of place to refer to the coming Bombay Races. Dr. Gaye, the enterprising honorary secretary for this fixture, is sure to make the best of the material at hand; but it is certain—as has already been stated in the public prints—that unless the public come forward more generously than they have hitherto done, the grand race event of Bombay will degenerate into something little short of a Sky Meeting, if it does not altogether fall out of the racing fixtures in India. We have before drawn attention to the backward manner in which the February meeting in the city is supported, but the fact that Bombay may have no races at all beyond the local Gymkhana events is a circumstance which should alone be an irresistable appeal. It would indeed be strange to see Bomby without its races after all its vonted boasting of superiority over Calcutta and Madras.

However, in being able to record a capital scratch meeting of two days' fair sport and symptoms of a good deal of love of sport, it may not be unsafe to predict better times for the stewards of the Bombay Races in future. Messrs. Prevost and Graham, the joint honorary secretaries of the Gymkhana meeting, must be congratulated on the result of their labours, considering that the absence of a bookmaker was a circumstance which went far to handicap them. For their last day they provided a programme with five events, two hurdle and three flat races, each of them filling well. The first item was "The Pony Hurdles," for which seven entered, Icecream being the favoured one, as he sold well in the lotteries. Cobbold, on Lætus, however, gained Judge Merriman's verdict, Icecream, with Graham in the saddle, gaining second place. A competition for walers was the next race, and Pintail was supposed to have it all his own way. There were two false starts, due to Warrior once bolting off the course, and on the next occasion to one or two refusing to join the field. Bob, ridden by Brooks, when Mr. Remington's flag dropped, got away with the lead and was never headed, winning easy by half a dozen lengths. In the "Hack Stakes," though there was a good deal of capricious behaviour on the part of several of the field, which somewhat spoilt the race, there was a capital finish and made the event the best during the whole evening. It was a flat race, that is, there were no hurdles to jump, and after one false start had been made, leaving three of the field at the post, Nero and Burma ran away with their riders, the former going nearly over the whole course twice before Benson could pull up, and the latter, having been taken off the course near the three-quarter mile post, was stopped near the bank. Neither was hurt, and when Colonel Merriman had sent Myras and another back to the starter a better attempt was made in sending the remaining six, out of a field of nine, away on their journey. It seemed anybody's race till the bend was turned, when a capital race ensued between Joey, Dolly, and Myras. Dolly had a slight lead from Myras, and her rider, watching the latter, allowed Joey, who was well ridden, to pass him on the left and win the judge's verdict by a short head. It was an exciting finish, and Brooks well deserved the applause which he evoked by winning at the post. In "The Pony Stakes," which was considered a good thing for Sparrow Hawk, Cobbold, on Kangaroo, won easily from the latter and Dark. The last event was one open to dealers, and six maidens were trotted out for it, Rogers proving a promising horse by winning with a slight effort from Shametta.

It may be added that Colonel Merriman occupied the bench, or rather the judicial box, during the evening, while Mr. G. Remington acted, under great difficulties, as starter, and Captain Capel Cure officiated as clerk of the scales. There was no punctuality whatever observed in the proceedings, but the band of the 4th Bombay Rifles agreeably filled up the long intervals with a pretty programme of music. The Totalisator was the only means of betting during the evening, but it seemed to be but poorly patronised.

The following are the results of the races with a few details:—

1ST RACE.—THE PONY HURDLE RACE.—¾ mile and six hurdles.

Mr. Cobbold's ch a p Lætus, Owner	1
Mr. Graham's g a p Icecream, Owner	2
Mr. Provost's b a p Aftab Collingwood	3
Do. b cb m Silk, Berkeley	0
Mr. Knight's d cb m Snowdrop, Mr. Brooks	0
Mr. Dick's g a p Richard, Owner	0
Capt. Phayre's Tallyho, late Ballyhoolie, Owner.	0

Richard, Snowdrop, and Silk refused to take the first hurdle, but their companions were well together, Lætus and Icecream slightly in advance. In the last quarter the race was left for decision between them, and after taking the last obstacle at the same time they had a fast race up the straight, Lætus, with his owner Cobbold up, winning by a head.

2ND RACE.—THE WALER HURDLE RACE.—¾ mile and six hurdles.

Mr. J. Brook's b w g Bob, Owner	1
Mr. F. Symon's b w g Pintail, Captain Phayre	2
Mr. H. Symon's b w g Florican, Cobbold	3
Mr. Radfield's ch w g Rufus, W. D. Graham	0
Mr. Benson's k w g Warrior, Owner	0

After a couple of false starts, in which Warrior ran off the course, the field of five were sent away in straggling company to the lead of Bob. Pintail, followed with Florican, next, and in this order the field past the judge's box, many lengths separating each of the three.

3RD RACE.—THE HACK STAKES.—5 furlongs.

Mr Brooks' b a h Joey, Owner	1
Mr Lyttleton's b ch m Dolly, Owner	2
Capt Beaufort's g a h Myras, Graham	3
Mr Shaw's ch a p Jonathan, Dick	0
Mr Nathan's c a h The Vikar, N Symons	0
Mr Benson's g a h Nero, Owner	0
Mr E Smith's ch a h Sir Harry, Owner	0
Mr Richard's g a h White Wing, Captain Richardson	0
Mr Steven's b a h Burma, Lee	0

After several false starts, in which Nero bolted almost twice round the course before being pulled up and Burma took his rider up the Worlee embankment, and two others, after going over the whole distance, retiring from the race, the six remaining were given a good start. With the turn for home the field were very much together, but in the straight the three placed ones drew away, Dolly having the best of the lead from Joey and Myras. Brooks on Joey, by a really clever bit of riding, won the race at the post from Dolly. It was a good race and the finish was exciting, a short head and a short neck separating the three. Time: 1 min. 18 secs.

4TH RACE.—THE PONY STAKES.—¼ mile.

Mr Glazy's g w p Kangaroo, Cobbold	1
Capt Capel Cure's g a p Dark, Holland	2
Mr N Symon's b a p Sparrow Hawk, Owner	3
Mr Barton's b n p The Skipper, Owner	0
Mr Prevost's b a p Nurser, Captain Phayre	0

Cobbold on Kangaroo got a very good start, and maintaining his position in front of the rest, won easy by about two lengths. The second and third, Dark and The Skipper, were separated by a short length. Time: 29 secs.

5TH RACE.—THE FLYAWAY STAKES.—¼ mile.

Mr Salimaa Dawood's b a p Rogers, Ebrahim	1
Mr Moosa bin Ameer's g a m Shametta, Balla	2
Mr Jassum Ameer's b e h Amaree, Mahomedan	3
Mr Moosa Ahmed's b a g Adhwan, Lalla	0
Mr Abdool Rahmon Essa's b a h Hillal, Mahomed	0
Mr Ali bin Hassain's b a h Dehman, Abdoola	0

It was nearly dark when this race was run, the mishaps during the third race having caused a long delay, and all that could be seen was that Shametta jumped off with the lead, but was collared near the bend and passed in the straight, Amaree being a fair third. Time: 58 secs.

THE GOVERNOR'S SOUTHERN TOUR.

The following programme of his Excellency the Governor's tour in Kanara and South, Maratha country, beginning on Wednesday, has been arranged:—

December 1888.

19th, Wednesday.—Leave Bombay at 11 p.m. in H. M.'s I. M. S. Dalhousie.

20th, Thursday.—At Sea.

21st, Friday—Arrive Karwar 6 a.m. Land 7-30 a.m. Receive Municipal Address.
Leave at 10 a.m. Arrive Honawar 3-30 p.m.
Land servants and baggage to go up river.

22nd, Saturday—Leave about 9 a.m. Arrive old Gersappa 3 p.m. Dine and sleep in Camp.

23rd, Sunday.—Leave at 7 a.m. Arrive at Falls 11 a.m.

24th, Monday.—} Halt.
25th, Tuesday.—}

26th, Wednesday.—To Siddapur and back. Receive Sirsi Deputation.

27th, Thursday.—Leave 3 p.m. Arrive old Gersappa 7 p.m. Dine and sleep.

28th, Friday.—Leave at 7 A.M. Arrive Honawar at 12 noon. Embark and leave by 5 P.M.

29th, Saturday.—Arrive Mormugoa 4 A.M. H. E. the Governor, accompanied by Military Secretary, Surgeon-Major Irving, and Captain Phayre, A.D.C., lands and proceeds to Dharwar by 7-38 A.M. train. Her Excellency Lady Reay and remainder of party proceed to Bombay, arriving about 8 A.M. on the following day.
H. E. the Governor will arrive Dharwar 5-7 P.M. Receive Municipal Address. Drive through town.

30th, Sunday.—Visit Jail and Hospital.

31st, Monday—Leave 11-15 a.m. by special. Arrive Hubli 12 noon. Receive Municipal Address. Drive in town and visit Railway Works. Leave by special 3-30 p.m. Arrive Dharwar 4-15 p.m. Leave at 5-30 p.m. Leave by ordinary train at 9-20 p.m.

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1st, Tuesday.—Miraj 8-3 a.m. Wathar 2-20 p.m. To Mahableshwar.

8th, Tuesday.—Leave Wathar 2-20 p.m. Arrive Poona 7-1 p.m. Leave at 11-30 p.m.

9th, Wednesday.—Arrive Bombay 7-15 a.m.

N. G. LYTTLETON, Colonel,
Military Secretary to H. E. the Governor.

THE RAJPUTANA DESERT SURVEY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—I find an impression prevails in Bombay that the railway route across Rajputana from Khipra in Thar and Parkar on towards Bikanir, recently condemned by Mr. Horace Bell's survey, was the route originally advocated by me. This is quite a mistake. I never said a word in favour of this route. On the contrary I pointed out from the first that the sandhills behind Khipra were *rolling* sandhills and almost impassable, so that, so far as I am concerned, the surveyors might have saved themselves the trouble of "inteligencing" this fact. The route I did advocate, and still advocate, is the route via Umarkot, Godhra, and Balmir—that is the pass by which the Emperor Humayun escaped to Umarkot, down which Akbar marched his armies into Sind, and over which the Kalhoras and Amirs used to drag their heavy guns from the factories in Jodhpur to fortify their forts in the valley of the Indus.

That this route is perfectly feasible I have satisfied myself by personal inspection! No doubt, for the first twenty miles or so out from Umarkot, the route, owing to numerous sandhills, would present some engineering difficulties; but the sandhills in this part of the country are not rolling sandhills, but mounds of hard earth coated with sand, and few of them are more than eighty or hundred feet high. Water can be found nearly every ten miles, and stone of sorts from five to fifteen feet below the surface. For miles I was able to gallop along the flat, and from Godhra on to Balmir (50 miles) I rode through a succession of open valleys. From Balmir I looked across an open plain to Pachbadra, and could see nothing to prevent the construction of a railway.

J. POLLEN.

THE METEOROLOGICAL DEPARTMENT AND THE LOSS OF LIFE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Your article in Saturday's issue of the *Gazette* on the finding of the Court of Inquiry into the loss of the Vaiturna should at least remind the public that as nothing whatever has been done to improve the system of storm-warnings on the western coast, the disaster may be repeated any day. And if it does occur will there be no one to blame?

The recommendation made by Mr. F. Chambers for the increase of ports of observation along the western coast, so urgently repeated by the court, should not have required such a terrible proof to recommend it to the head of a meteorological dept. The efficient preparation of Meteorological Reports is of such vital importance to the mercantile community of Bombay that the Chamber of Commerce might reasonably ask the Government for a copy of Mr. Chamber's proposal and of the minute by which it was rejected. His recent treatise on the Law of Storms, which has been received by the scientific world without dispute, is only one of many valuable contributions which Mr. F. Chambers has made to meteorological science during his period of service under the Indian Government; and following the order of promotion, he should have succeeded to the chief post in the service on the retirement of Mr. Blanford. Thus India would have possessed a trained meteorologist of proved reputation at the head of the department. Instead of this, the post of Meteorological Reporter in Bombay was abolished before the term of office of the late chief expired and the Educational Department has again been called upon to furnish a ready-made Director of the Meteorologigal Department.

The method of selection employed by the Government is certainly not without precedent: it reminds me of the way in which factory inspectors have been appointed in Bombay; but if the chief post must absolutely go to a man from the Educational Department one would naturally think that Bombay will have all the more need of a competent and experienced man to look after her interests.

The intimate relations recognised to exist between the science of meteorology and commerce, agriculture, and the law of health, place the post of meteorologist far beyond the pale of mere sinecures, and I venture to say that, judging from past experience, the central office should be at Bombay rather than at Simla or Calcutta.

In Bombay the Department would not only be in closer touch with the classes and interests it subserves, but it would live in a healthy atmosphere of active and intelligent public criticism from which at present it seems to stand aloof.—I am, &c.

Dec. 16. ONE OF THE PUBLIC.

NORTON'S WORLD OF WONDERS.

A well filled house at the Novelty Theatre greeted Mr. Wash Norton's troupe on their first appearance last Saturday in Bombay, where they stay for a

theatre was crowded on Saturday was but a matter of course, and a due recognition of the "World of Wonders." The performance opened with a minstrel entertainment, which was very well received. The riddles, jokes, and songs of each [illegible] were applauded, and it was felt as a disappointment when *encores*, which were the order of the evening, were, in order to permit of the programme being completed before morning, not all responded to. Especial mention must be made of Miss Valeska's rendering "Only to see her Face." Miss Violet Brandon's singing of "White Wings," and their subsequent duet, "The Girl I love," with song and dance. Messrs. Wash Norton and C. Harvey's contributions of comic songs quite brought the house down. The second part of the programme was even more attractive than the first. It was opened by Mr. Norton's marvellous performances on the banjo and tambourine interspersed with comic songs and jokes. Here he showed what a hosthe is in himself, entertaining the audience alone for fully a quarter of an hour. Miss Marie Valeska thed gave a capital impersonation of the masher ann was *encored*. Both Miss Brandon—who afterwards gave a song and dance, for which she was vociferously applauded—and Miss Valeska established themselves thoroughly in the favour of the audience, by whom they were warmly received. Mr. Linton gave an effective specimen of his lightning sketches and Mr. Jensen, as the exponent of the "black art," showed immediately that he was a thorough master in that peculiar line. Marvellous were the numerous tricks he performed, and well deserved the applause which was given him. It was a fitting finale for the Harvey Brothers to conclude the entertainment with their grotesque performances. Their happy style of playing the violin in every conceivable position is a wonderful sight, and the acrobatic feats of Mr. Charles Harvey were well worth witnessing. The company proved at once that individually its membess are first-rate artistes, and it goes without saying that they will receive a well-merited recognition during their short stay in Bombay.

THE AMATEUR THEATRICALS AT THE GAIETY.

On Wednesday night as many of us as could squeeze into the house assembled there to perform a very pleasant duty, *viz.*, to show our appreciation of H. E. Lord and Lady Dufferin and the amateurs. I only hope our feelings were deeper than our cheers, but what can we expect from a house defrauded of its pit?

Of course, we are all delighted to again welcome Colonel and Mrs. Cowper and our amateurs on the Bombay "boards," but why, oh why, are we to be put off with such an evening as the scenes from "School for Scandal" and "First Night." I know that a large section of the "Gilded Youth" were clamouring to see what we all heard was the best thing put on during last rains in Poona, *viz.*, "Kenilworth." But I would go much further than that, and say we should like to see Mrs. Cowper taking the lead in a really good modern comedy, which, by pourtraying scenes from our own times, sustains our interest, amuses us, and hits off our little failings with such terrible accuracy—"Tickels" us in fact as M. Dufard would call it, for we don't mind the knife being stuck in if it is not first dipped in the "venom pot." However, we must be thankful for what we have received, and none can say they did not enjoy Mrs. Cowper's rendering of Lady Teazle. Her acting in the screen scene was really affecting, and her exit left me like the "Mock Turtle," "same as if he had a bone in his throat."

Of course, we regretted Mr. Harris' absence and thez cause of it, but Mr. Decie filled the part of "Joseph" well—at such short notice, very well. I should like to see Mr. Twiss as "Sir Peter" twenty years hence. At present there is a juvenile (if I may use the word) twinkle in his eye, which goes far to contradict the supposed discrepancy in years between Sir Peter and Lady Teazle. Mr. Le Mesurier seemed very happy as "Charles." The "First Night" was amusing, thanks to Colonel Cowper and Mrs. Hay, who really made the piece go. The former was, of course, good all through, but, if one can pick out any special bits, I preferred the scene where Rose is rehearsing before the author; he was really very funny in that, and he had the house with him throughout the piece. Mrs. Hay's "Arabella" was worthy of great praise, for she sustained the idea of the character from start to finish. The rehearsal scene was very strong, and there was a liveliness and dash about her acting, which was a treat. Mrs. Ross as "Rose" played prettily in what must be a very trying part. The manager and author were both good, and so was "Fitzdangle" in his wishy-washy part. I expect great things from the "call-boy" later on, for a more unabashed youth all through one must go far to find.

The great merit of the evening was that we were not kept waiting. Perhaps this is in some way accounted for by the startling bareness of the stage in the opening scene of the "First Night"—certainly the success of the piece was due to the acting, and not the scenery. Perhaps it is the usual thing for the "Leading Lady" to rehearse without the rest of the company, for the prompter to request silence from an empty stage in the midst of a deathlike silence. Lady Dufferin's fund must have benefited, which, after all, was the object of the undertaking, but I did not call it on the whole a "dainty dish to set before a king."

DIOGENES.

THE DISCUSSIONS IN THE MEDICAL UNION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—It would not serve any useful purpose to reply at length to the random allegations about the discussions at the recent meetings of the medical profession recently indulged in by "A Member" in one of your contemporaries. The Union, taking action on the Government Resolution, had in the interest of the profession framed a certain plan, according to which honorary and commissioned officers could work smoothly and with mutual satisfaction. The profession was invited to discuss and adopt the suggested plan. From the very beginning it was manifest that a minority had come to the meetings, with the deliberate purpose of forcing upon the Union and the profession a wholly irregular and irrelevant proposition. This proposition was persisted in, though its irregularity and irrelevancy were clearly and repeatedly pointed out, and it was actually put in as an amendment to the first rule under discussion. It was rejected, and the rule was carried with four dissentients. The proposer then sent it up to the Secretary and asked him to place the motion before the next meeting. Both from the fact of its being irregular and irrlevant, and of its having been rejected at the preceding meeting, the secretaries naturally took no notice of it. But the four supporters of this motion again wanted to press it, and the chairman, out of courtesy and to avoid further obstruction, allowed the proposer to have his say at the following meeting. It was again rejected by a large majority. It may be mentioned in passing that the proposition to which such importance was sought to be attached was as follows:—

"It is the opinion of the meeting that the G. T. Hospital should be handed over to the Municipality, to be worked solely as a municipal institution, and that the new scheme of appointments of Honorary Physicians and Surgeons and Assistant Honorary Physicians and Surgeons should, in the first instantce, be tried in that hospital in order to make it a complete success.

"That in the event of the G. T. Hospital being handed over to the Municipality as above, the Corporation be moved to take measures for imparting clinical instruction at the said hospital.

"That H. E. Lord Reay be memorialized praying that the Grant College authorities should make arrangements for sending a certain number of students to that hospital to receive clinical instruction."

It may not be out of place to repeat what apparently the supporters of the motion have not yet been able to see, that Government had invited the co-operation of the leading local practitioners in the administration of two of the hospitals, and the profession had met at the instance of the Union to consider the ways and means of accomplishing that object. In the midst of these important deliberations an over-zealous and sanguine gentleman, by the aforesaid proposition, wanted the Union and the profession to ask Government to give up entirely one of the institutions which Government wished the local profession to share the administration of. We will not take any notice of the personal allegations made by "A Member," but will only say that what disorder and confusion did take place was solely occasioned by the obstructive tactics of the small minority of four, which ultimately dwindled down to two, and which had set its heart upon passing the irregular and objectionable motion to [illegible] properly took exception, which the meeting very speakers who [illegible] talked at random and irrelevantly. The authorship of the letter is so transparent that it is perhaps not wide of the mark to suggest that it probably has emanated from one or other of this minority. In conclusion, we shall not notice any further letters on the subject.

J. C. LISBOA, President of the meeting.
J. A. DA GAMA, B. S. SHROFF, Joint Honorary Secretaries, Bombay Medical Union.

STANLEY AND EMIN PASHA.

THE information contained in a Reuter's telegram in another column shows that there is now much ground for apprehension as to the fate of both Stanley and Emin Pasha, and that the efforts of the relief organisations have after all been futile. On Friday last the *Standard* published a telegram stating that General Greenfell had received a letter from Osman Digna, in which he informs him that Emin Pasha's troops have mutinied, and delivered him and a white traveller, who is believed to be Stanley, over to the Mahdi. The telegrams appearing in another column to-day give fuller details of the contents of the letter, and tend to confirm thesupposition that the "white traveller" alluded to is none other than Stanley. A few days before the last mail left it was firmly believed in England that Stanley had been "safe with Emin Pasha since last December or January," and Sir Francis de Winton, Secretary of the Emin Pasha Relief Fund and the intimate friend of Stanley propounded this view, and only on the 21st *ult.* he received a letter from the late Mr. Jameson stating that in April last it was rumoured that Stanley had reached his destination. On the evening after his receipt of this letter Sir Francis de Winton delivered a lecture in London, at which the Marquis of Lorne presided, and at which Sir Francis gave some valuable information concerning the African interior and Stanley's expeditions, which may be very appropriately reproduced. Sir Francis, it may be remarked, has more experience of untrodden Africa than most men, and has administered the Government of the Congo, and has led the most successful of campaigns against African savages.

After an interesting *resume* of the explorations which had been made in Central Africa during the past 38 years, the lecturer said Mr. H. M. Stanley, whose energy, resource, and talent for exploration had only been equalled by Livingstone, and whose discoveries had led to extraordinary developments in Central Africa, appeared on the scene as a new traveller about the year 1871. At that period much anxiety was felt concerning Living-stone, and Mr. Stanley started on a relief expedition into Central Africa, which proved a great success. The lecturer traced the doings of Mr. Stanley subsequently to the lamentable death of Livingstone, up to 1877, when he explored the Congo. Other expeditions were also narrated by the lecturer, the latest of them that made by Lieutenant Vaugele, of the Belgian army, about 12 months ago. There had been other explorers who had done good and noble service, and in this connexion he mentioned the name of Emin Pasha, otherwise Eduard Schnitzer, who was born in the Prussian province of Silesia in the year 1840. He commenced the study of medicine at Berlin in 1858, and graduated at the University of that city in 1864. Animated by a strong desire to travel and a love of natural history, he went that same year to Turkey, and crossing over to Asia Minor he remained there till 1873, when he returned to Constantinople and quickly mastered the Arabic and kindred languages. In 1876 he entered the Egyptian service as Dr. Emin Effendi. His many and varied talents and his devotion to duty attracted the attention of General Gordon, who employed him first as surgeon-general, and afterwards, in 1878, promoted him to be Governor of the Equatorial Provinces of the Soudan. How faithfully and with what signal success he governed those provinces in spite of Arab intrigue and hostility, of severance from all communication with the civilized world for four years, and in spite of other drawbacks with wonderful energy and courage he established a settled form of government, was matter of history. (Cheers.) The last words received from him, dated November 2, 1887, were that "he would never desert his province."

What was the outcome of all this exploration and discovery? Mr. Stanley's journey down the Congo in 1877 led to his return to the scene of his labours in 1879, under the auspices of His Majesty the King of Belgians. The initial enterprise was to open up the heart of Central Africa to commerce and civilization by means of the great Congo river. The success of the Congo Free State gave birth to the Berlin Conference in 1885, and that led to the partition of Central Africa, with its two million square miles and 60 millions of inhabitants, among the nations of Europe. France, Portugal, and the Congo Free State obtained large concessions on the West Coast. On the East Coast the Sultan of Zanzibar was confirmed in the possession of a strip of land extending ten miles inland along the coast from Cape Delgado on the south to Kipini on the north. In 1886 a convention was entered into between Great Britain and Germany by which a certain portion of East Africa was divided between them. Germany taking 400 miles and great Britain contenting herself with an area of about 150 miles.

Why our rulers surrendered so much important territory to Germany, it was not for him to say, but it was discovered by Englishmen, and its trade and commerce had been intiated and fostered by British influence and money. In his opinion the nation's interests had not been fully cousidered. That partition had opened up a very interesting problem. The vast area of the territory was inhabited by a free-living, work hating, generally happy and contented people who, being split up into numberless communities, offered no serious obstacles to being governed by other nations alien to them in manners, customs, laws, colour—in fact, in everything. Those European nations had separate interests, difierent forms of government, and different religious systems. What was likely to be the interaction of the dual forces of civilization and commerce under such conditions? It was a grave question affecting the lives of from 20 to 100 millions of people. That opinion he himself expressed a year ago and recent events had given them an almost prophetic signification. Within the past 12 months agreements had been entered into with the late Sultan of Zanzibar by which the coast line of the respective areas of Great Britain and Germany were to be administered by companies belonging to those two nations. The English company had obtained a charter, was taking over the territory ceded by the Sultan, and was working for the prosperity, liberty, and progress of the people. The Germans, on the other hand, within three months, had so mismanaged affairs that they had aroused the population against them, and to cover their incapacity Germany was trying to lay the blame on the slave trade, on the Sultan; in fact, on everything and everybody but themselves. It was now proposed that Great Britain and Germany should take joint action in suppressing the slave trade, and much of the future of the East Coast of Africa depended on the arrangements that would be made. He believed the less we had to do with the Germans in the payment of their debts and their methods in this matter the better. (Cheers.).

Turning to the subject of the relief of Emin Pasha, the lecturer detailed the circumstances under which Mr. Stanley was led to undertake his last expedition, and gave a sketch of his journey. He discussed the various rumours which had come to hand as to Stanley's safety, and said he had that day received aletter from Mr. Jameson, dated last April, in which he expressed the opinion that Tippoo Tib would be induced to send on his carriers when he knew that Stanley had gained the object of his mission. He himself believed that Stanley reached Wadelai about last December or January, and was detained longer than was expected. He thought there was no real cause for anxiety so long as no definite news was received of disaster, or that he had failed to reach Emin before last February, or that Emin at that time had no news of his caravan. In was impossible that a caravan so well equipped and commanded by a man like Stanley could be swallowed up without leaving traces of it even in the heart of Africa.

With regard to the slave trade, Sir Francis said it was no use attempting to put it down by gunboats and expeditions; they must attack it in its stronghold by civilisation and commerce. What might happen within a few months it was impossible to foretell; but they knew that, owing to a few rash acts, the trade along much of the coast was stopped, and missionaries were being withdrawn, and this might lead to the work of thirty years being undone. What, then, would be the future of this vast country? The questionwas too grave to be dealt with from the side of European politics. If they were to have a lasting success, they must introduce the principals of liberty and civilisation, and pay more regard to the influence of missionaries. (Cheers.) Lord Lorne, in proposing a vote of thanks to the lecturer, said the whole nation joined with Sir Francis in hoping that Mr. Stanley and Emin Pasha were safe.

THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET ESTIMATE.

THE Budget Estimate for 1889-90 as framed and finally approved by the Standing Committee of the Municipal Corporation of Bombay has just been issued. The following is a digest:—

The opening balance is estimated at Rs. 4,50,000, after providing for all grants sanctioned and likely to be sanctioned for the year 1888-89, and including the 1 lakh required by law. The General Tax has been kept at 8 per cent., the minimum required by law. The estimated increase over last year's Budget Estimate is Rs. 93,000 as against an estimated increase of Rs. 76,000 in the previous year. This is due to the rapid extension of buildings and to rise in rents. Section 140 (*c*) of the new Act requires an addition to the General Tax of "not less than ½ per cent. and not more than ¾ per cent., to provide for the expense necessary for fulfilling the duties of the Corporation arising under Clause (*h*) of Section 61," that is, for the maintenance of the Fire Brigade. The Fire Brigade Budget shows an expenditure of Rs. 86,738. For this reason ½ per cent. has been added yielding Rs. 95,000 as the nearest percentage to the cost. Other expected increases are as follows:—Wheel Tax, Rs. 24,200; Land Conveyance Badges, Rs. 9,000; total Rs. 33,200. This is due chiefly to the change in the mode of collection required by section 198 (2) of the new Act, and to revenue from bullocks and other animals, to tobacco duties due to increased consumption, Rs. 3,000; pension contributions owing to new admissions, Rs. 3,000; halalkhor tax due to (*a*) increase in assessments, (*b*) extension of service to mills, &c., and (*c*) to the provisions of Section 142 of the new Acts Rs. 22,200; water tax, due to (*a*) increased use of metres, (*b*) extension of service and miscellaneous receipts, and (*c*) increase in nominal charge to Municipal Departments, Rs. 73,050; market receipts, partly due to rise in stall rents and partly to opening of market extensions, Rs. 40,300; miscellaneous receipts, fees, and tramway rent, due to normal increases and extensions, Rs. 15,600; interest, due to investment of Loan Funds pending their expenditure on works. Of this Rs. 24,000 appear on the expenditure side also, as added to the building fund, Rs. 50,000. The total increases amount to Rs. 4,27,150. Decreases appear under the following heads:—Toll fees and miscellaneous fines, Rs. 2,700; decrease in tolls due to less traffic, by road; town duties, Rs. 1,19,000; due principally to omission of petroleum from the list of taxable and provision of Rs. 50,000 for refunds on this and Rs. 3,000 on flour, the latter refund being admissible for the first time under the new Act, Section 195; tax on fire insurance companies inadmissible under the new Act, Rs. 32,000. The total decrease is thus shown to be Rs. 1,53,700 and the net increase Rs. 2,73,450.

No change has been proposed in any branch of taxation, except in the imposition of fire insurance general tax required by Sec. 140 of the new Act; the omission of former tax on insurance companies; and the omission of petroleum from dutiable articles under the new Act. The total revenue, excluding opening balance, is estimated at Rs. 49,20,200 as compared with Rs. 51,66,529, the actuals for 1887-88, and Rs. 46,46,750, the estimate for the current year. The actuals for 1887-88, however, inclucc about 2½ lakhs, for sale proceeds of surplus land (Ripon Road) and profit on stores and workshops, and 3½ lakhs for town duties levied at higher rates in that year. The expenditure is taken at Rs. 52,24,564, or Rs. 1,74,379 more than the estimate of the current year. Part of this increase, it is explained, is nominal on account of water charges to Municipal Departments, and a new item of Rs. 5,000 appearing for the first time to provide for the establishment and contingent charges of the Land Conveyance License Establishment, the net receipts only having been formerly paid by the Commissioner of Police. Rs. 35,928 is due to increased debt charges owing to interest Sinking Fund provision for new loans, and to increased charges on account of the change of period from 60 to 40 years ordered by the Gouernment of India. Rs. 24,000 is a nominal charge, being merely the investment of interest earned by the Building Fund for which credit is taken under revenue. The chief increases in Municipal Departments are as follows:—Standing Committee and Corporation Establishment, Rs. 2,036,; Municipal Commissioner's Department, Rs. 7,532; principally due to entry of Commissioner's salary at Rs. 3,000, the maximum provided by section 57 (3) of the new Municipal Act. Health Department, Rs. 75,421; due to extension of service to new mills and buildings yielding increased revenue, and to anticipated increased cost of feeding bullocks owing to increased scale of food, higher contract rates for fodder, and increased number of surplus animals recommended by the Committee on bullocks. The increase shown in the cost of feeding from Rs. 18 to Rs. 23 per pair of bullocks includes the enhanced price of hay and grass, but not of grain; the tenders for the supply of which received by the Commissioner were so exceptionally high that at present he has not accepted any of them. Mr. Ollivant proposes to make further enquiries in the local and other markets. If the result of these enquiries is unsatisfactory, it will be necessary to ask the Corporation to further enhance the grant for feeding.

Of the increase under the head of markets (Rs. 29,715), Rs. 10,000 is due to biennial painting charges, Rs. 9,654 to nominal water charge, and Rs. 6,500 to increased bullock charges as explained above. In Engineer's Department an increase of Rs 21,979 is shown. Of this Rs. 12,480 are for roads, Rs. 1,799 for drainage, Rs. 7,100 for lighting, owing to the lighting of Prince's and Victoria Docks being required by the Port Trust, and Rs. 600 for watering. Education Rs. 7,663; Auditor's increase, Rs. 3,000; Fire Insurance Fund for Municipal buildings (new), Rs. 3,000; other small increases, 8,396; total increases in Municipal Departments, Rs. 1,58,742. Decreases appear under Fire Brigade of Rs. 29,340, and under other heads Rs. 19,942, a total of Rs. 49,291. The net increase in expenditure amounts to Rs. 1,74,379, against Rs. 2,73,450 net increase in income, showing a net gain of about Rs. 99,000 over last year's Budget. The closing balance is estimated at Rs. 1,45,636, including the one lakh required by law.

In the statement of the several public loans effected by the Municipality and amount of sinking fund and interest due thereon for the year 1889-90 it is shown that the whole of the 6 per cent. local loans (Market and House Rate Loans), raised in 1867 and 1868, will be paid off during the current year. This accounts for the disappearance of Rs. 24,121-14-5 shown in last Budget for interest. Bank commission shows an increase of Rs. 1,200 owing to increased interest to be paid on larger loan balances. A decrease of Rs. 4,000 appears under Miscellaneous Loan Charges, owing to the stoppage of loss by exchange in remitting interest on House Rate and Market Loans.

No increase has been entered under the Tanna Loan provision, as the sum of Rs. 3,70,000 is a fixed annual payment which will remain unaltered till 1892 inclusive. This does not include Sinking Fund as the period runs from 1st January, 1893. The instalment appropriated to the year 1889-90 for the interest and principal of the Drainage Loan, 1878, shows a decrease of Rs. 750. An increase of Rs. 7,500 has been entered for the Sinking Fund of the 12 lakhs Queen's Road District Sewerage and Frere Road Water Main, to provide for the increased annual appropriation rendered necessary by the Government of India's decision to restrict the period to 40 years. An increase of Rs. 32,100 is entered under the loan for capital works sanctioned for 1888-89, partly due to the above cause, and partly because 5 lakhs for New Markets sanctioned have been entered as the works are in progress, and the loan will be raised in the current year. The new loans required for 1889-90 are:—For Agripada District House sullage water connections recently sanctioned by the Corporation, Rs. 2,48,000; Bhuleshwar Market extension, 1,50,000, Rs. 3,98,000.

The increased provision necessary under these heads will be 4 lakhs at 6 per cent., Rs. 24,000. In addition to the above the acting Municipal Commissioner proposed to make a further provision of five lakhs for the cost of a market at Foras Road of (Rs. 50,000), road from Framjee Cowasjee Institute to Queen's Road (Rs. 1,30,000), road from Gopi Tank to Matoonga (Rs. 73,122), new Bullock Stables, Rs. 57,000), and various other works; but the Standing Committee have not included this Estimate, as they consider that the 4 lakhs of Loan works in addition to the 1 lakh from current revenue is a sufficient amount for any one year, except in such cases as the Corporation may consider exceptionally important or urgent. The net increase to the provision for Sinking Fund and on Loans is Rs. 35, 928-1-7. On the application of the Board of the Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute, and in view of the highly important and beneficial work which that Institute has undertaken, the Standing Committee propose to increase the yearly grant from Rs. 5,000 to Rs. 10,000 per annum. Under Section 136 (3) of the new Act, the Auditors may be paid up to a maximum of Rs. 10,000 per annum. An increase Rs. 3,000 over the usual Rs. 5,000 has been entered here, giving Rs. 4,000 each. This increase the Committee remarks is but reasonable, considering the increase of work in the last few years and the additional responsibility thrown upon the auditors by the new Act. A new item of Rs. 3,000 has been entered under a new head, "Municipal Buildings, Fire Insurance Fund," the Corporation having approved of the Acting Commissioner's proposal to create this fund in preference to insuring in the insurance offices. Rs. 24,000 appear as an increase under reserve funds, but this is merely the credit to the building fund of interest earned by the investment of the sund itself.

THE NATIVE PRESS.

THE CRAWFORD COMMISSION.

THE *Rast Goftar* says:—We do not admire Mr. Kashinath Balwant Pense, Master of Arts of the Bombay University and Assistant to the Commissioner, C.D. His own evidence and that of other witnesses for the prosecution given before the Crawford Commission do not show him to be a man of the highest principles and character. Nor do we admire those Hindu graduates of the University and others who confess to having given bribes for purchasing promotions and transfers. But we must protest against the clamour which is raised against them, chiefly by the partisans of Mr. Crawford. In the interests of justice, and in the interests of purity of the administration, they demand the immediate dismissal of these men from the public service. If they are moved only by a spirit of righteous indignation, unalloyed by any personal motives, they should be, at least, as anxious to see that the grave charges against Mr. Crawford are subjected to the fairest and fullest inquiry, such inquiry as Mr. Crawford has himself asked for. If the informers were punished in the midst of the trial, it does not require much intelligence or knowledge of human nature to apprehend that their fate would afford the strongest motive to other witnesses to preserve a discreet silence; and it was probably on account of this reason that Government have informed Mr. Justice Birdwood and Mr. Justice Jardine that they cannot take any action against the givers of bribes while the trial is still proceeding. Sympathy with one of the highest and most brilliant officials, who is reduced to a painful position, is natural. But some of those who commiserate his lot really lose sight of the claims of public justice and morality, which they profess to serve, when they cry out for vengeance against persons who, if their story were to be believed, were for the most part but the victims of an organised system of corruption. If they were to be consistent in their demands for justice, they would wait till the Commission has made its report, and the final decision is given upon the guilt or innocence of Mr. Crawford. We cannot but sympathise with the Government of Lord Reay, which has been encountering an unreasonable opposition in a matter which ought to have obtained for them the moral support of all sensible and right-thinking men.

OBSCENE LANGUAGE.

The *Kaiser-i-Hind* regrets that the use of foul language among the lower classes of natives is an evil which is on the increase. The respectable portion of the inhabitants is shocked to hear obscene words in the streets, and would be glad to see the practice put a stop to by some means. The teachers of Sunday Schools have, therefore, done well in presenting a petition to the Governor for taking effectual measures against the evil, which has such a demoralising effect upon the populace. His Excellency's reply was very reassuring, and he told thre memorialists that he would draw on the subject the attention of the Hon. Sir Raymond West, who is just now engaged in framing a new Police Bill. We hope that some adequate provision would be made in the Bill to check the free use of obscene language by the masses.

The *Bombay Samachar* does not think that the law alone will be sufficient to deal with the evil. The Legislature must be assisted by the force of public opinion in its attempt to improve the public morals and manners. The influence of parents and teachers can exercise a very wholesome restraint upon filthy speech. It is proposed to take up people who are found using indecent language in the public streets; but it must be remembered that some of the policemen are themselves the greatest offenders in this respect. It is well-known among natives how these sepoys assert the dignity of their position by employing foul words to the poorer classes of people.

PUBLIC OPINION—ENGLISH VS. NATIVE.

The *Bombay Samachar* gives its estimate of the value of English and native public opinion in the following terms:—It is clear that Lord Dufferin's administration has gained the approval of the English community, but is disapproved by the natives. It is to be seen which side ought to carry greater weight. On the one hand, there are a few hundred Englishmen, while on the other three are lakhs, nay millions, of natives. The English are only birds of passage in this country. Their home is in England, and therefore they naturally look up to the authorities of their mother-country for their welfare. The welfare of the people of India depends on the policy which is pursued by the officials who have been sent out to conduct the administration, and it can be easily understood that the policy which they pursue ought to be such as to tend to the well-being of the natives. Some Englishmen still represent the natives as inferior in understanding to their own race; and assuming to themselves the position of their teachers, they try to make out that their own opinion is eatitled to much greater weight. The attempt to prove this is futile, for natives have become as competent as Englishmen by virtue of their education and intelligence to form a sound opinion upon the policy of their rulers.

THE NEW SHERIFF.

The Native Press congratulates Mr. Javerilal Umiashankar on his appoiatment to the shrievalty of Bombay.

JERRY-BUILDING IN BOMBAY.

Referring to the fatality which resulted from the fall of a house in Nagdevi Street, the *Akbari Saudagar* says:—Accidents due to the fall of houses have been of too frequent occurrence. We think it our duty to urge upon the Municipal authorities to exercise much greater care and vigilance in their inspection of human dwellings. There are numerous houses in various parts of this vast city which are evidently in a very dilapidated condition, and yet the Municipality continues to be supremely in different, and takes no steps either to demolish them or get them repaired. If the existing number of house inspectors is insufficient to cope with the growing requirements of the city, their number should be increased. We would recommend the appointment of a special staff for a year or so to make a careful survey of the houses of Bombay.

THE PUBLIC AND THE VAITURNA DISASTER.

The *Rast Goftar* says:—It is a thousand pities that the public have, thus far, taken little interest in the fund which has been started for the relief of the poor who have suffered from the Vaturna disaster. Here is no great and powerful man to be honoured, no interest to serve, and therefore nobody considers it his business either to subscribe to the fund or to collect subscriptions from others. As for our well-to-do people they consider it *infra dig* to send in their contributions without being coaxed or flattered by some one. H E. the Governor has lost no time in evincing his sympathy with the sufferers, and the public ought no longer to continue in their present state of indifference, but at once follow the good example set from such a high quarter. Some of our energetic citizens ought to form a committee and obtain some definite information regarding the extent of the disaster. Perhaps, the public are waiting till they have got these particulars.

THE DECCAN AGRICULTURIST'S RELIEF ACT.

The *Native Opinion* says:—The extension of this Act to the District of Ratnagiri is reported to be in the contemplation of Government. We cannot indeed see the propriety of this measure. Credit is, however, due to Government of the caution with which they are dealing with the subject. Reports have been called for from different authorities; investigation has been instituted into the condition of the agriculturists, and opinions have been asked from private individuals who are likely to be well-informed on the subject. From our knowledge of the District we may say that the relations between the Sawkars, if any, and the ryots of the Ratnagiry District are not such as to necessitate Goverment interference. The rate of interest in the District in question is exteecingly low. In very few cases ryots are proprietors of land. Out of about 1500 villages 1200 villages are held under Khoti tenure, in most cases the Khotes belong to classes other than those whose interests seem to become a matter for special anxiety with Government. Unless we are mistaken, the District Revenue and Judicial authorities are opposed to the extension. The results of investigation, too, will relieve Government of its anxiety for Ratnagiry Ryots. We do not know what the private individuals referred to on the matter have said. But we feel pretty certain that no one, well-acquainted with the circumstances of the District, will go against facts. Under these circumstances, apart from the general and radical absurdity of the enactment so well demonstrated by such a high authority as the Hon'ble Raymond West, it is a question whether, if Government be pleased at all to extend the Act to the Ratnagiry District the measure can be adequately described by any appellation other than imprudent and impolitic.

A CARD.—An IMPORTANT DISCOVERY is announced in the "Paris Figaro" of a valuable remedy for nervous debility, physical exhaustion, and kindred complaints. The discovery was made by a missionary in Old Mexico; it saved him from a miserable existence and premature decay. The Rev. Joseph Holmes, Bloomsbury Mansions, Bloomsbury Square, London, W.C., will send the prescription, free of charge, on receipt of a self-addressed stamped envelope. Mention this paper.

THE EDWARDS-STEWART DEFAMATION CASE.

THE case in which Mr. G. L. Edwards, assistant Engineer, and nephew to Sir Guildford Molesworth, has laid a charge of defamation against a Mr. Stewart for defamation, has been before Mr. C. S. Elloy, Deputy Collector, Allahabad. It appears that Mr. Edwards engaged Miss Edith Duff, Mr. Stewart's step-daughter, as nursery governess for his children, and, it is alleged by the accused, took advantage of her while in his house. Mr. Edwards's complaint is that Mr. Stewart has defamed his character by communicating the story of the alleged seduction to his uncle, Sir Guildford Molesworth. The letters put into Court were exhibit A., letter from Mr. Stewart to Sir Guildford; B., from Sir Guildford to Mr. Izat, Agent of the Bengal and North-Western Railway; C., copy of Sir Guilford's reply to Mr. Stewart; and D., letter from Mr. Stewart to Mr. Edwards. The following are copies:—

"Allahabad, November 12th, 1888.

To Sir Guildford Molesworth, Kt., C.I.E., Consulting Engineer to the Government of India, Simla.

Sir,—I regret it should have become my painful duty to bring to your notice the shocking misconduct of your nephew, Mr. G. L. Edwards, and it is only out of respect to yourself and the other decent members of his family that I am induced to allow Mr. Edwardsany chance at all. On the 26th October, 1888, a young girl, my step-daughter, and recently from school, was delivered at the Colvin Hospital here of a female child. The father of this child is Mr. G. L. Edwards. The girl and child are still in hospital under the care of Dr. A. Cameron, Civil Surgeon of Allahabad. The circumstances under which Mr. Edwards took such base advantage of the girl and seduced her are as follows:—She came to us from school in May, 1887, and being anxious to assist us sought for some employment wherewith to do so. Mr Edwards coming to hear of this, wrote to me, offering the girl a situation as nurse to his other children; she accepted the offer and went to his family in October, 1887. In January 1888, Mr. G. L. Edwards, Assistant Engineer, B. and N. W. Railway, did, by means of threats and prosecution, seduce the girl in his own house while she was employed as a nurse to his family, and while his own wife and family were in the house. Having done this dastardly act, Mr. Edwards, without reference to any of us, had the services of the girl transferred to Mrs. Gordon, wife of Mr. H. W. Gordon, Judge of Chupra, Saran, during the middle of February, 1888. About a month after the girl became sick, and describing her symptoms to Mrs. Gordon, that lady had her first treated and then examined by Dr. Russel, Civil Surgeon of Chupra, who, after examination, pronounced the girl to be with child. When questioned by Mrs. Gordon, the girl at once informed her that Mr. Edwards had taken advantage of her, and that he was the father of the child; and Mrs. Gordon subsequently expressed her intention of writing and communicating with Mrs. Edwards, wife of Mr. Edwards, on the subject. Before instituting proceedings against Mr. Edwards I have been advised by my counsel, in order to allow of an opportunity for some settlement being made out of the law courts, of first communicating with yourself. But I must tell you distinctly that the settlement will have to be very satisfactory in order to prevent my freely advertising Mr. Edwards' infamous conduct in the public press of India and England. Thousands of printed notices, exposing Mr. Edwards's villainy are also being rapidly struck off, and will be posted to every Englishman and Englishwoman throughout the land, unless ample reparation is made by him. I have been absent at Hyderabad, Deccan, since May, 1888, and only returned here a few days ago. During my absence the girl and my family remained in Allahabad, and I had no opportunity of moving in the matter before. Otherwise you may be quite sure I should have taken steps to obtain satisfaction much earlier. I have written to Mr. Edwards, but do not know whether he has rejoined his appointment, as he went away on leave shortly after the girl's examination by Dr. Russel. Wherever he is, you may be certain I shall track and expose him to the public and his employers, unless the girl and his child are provided for life, and ample satisfaction is given for the foul disgrace he has brought upon us. I shall wait a few days and, except some satisfactory solution is speedily achieved by Mr. Edwards or his friends, will not allow him another chance.—I am, Sir, your obedient servant,—(Sd.) L. B. STEWART.

Station Road, Allahabad."

Simla, November 14th, 1888.

"Mr. L. B. Stewart.

"Sir,—I have received your letter of the 12th instant, and in reply I have to state that if Mr. Edwards has been blackguard enough to act in the manner you represent, he must bear the consequences of his dastardly conduct; and I wish you distinctly to understand that you entirely mistake my character in supposing either that I will be a party to hushing up the matter, or that I am in any way interested in shielding Mr. Edwards from the disgrace and mire he richly deserves "if the accusation you have made against him be true." It may, however, be perhaps prudent on your part to ascertain beyond all doubts that your step-daughter's version is correct, and to find out what Mr. Edwards himself has to say on the subject. I do not know where Mr. Edwards is, but I shall send your letter to one through whom it is sure to reach him, and with your letter I shall forward a copy of this my reply.—Yours truly (Sd.) GUILDFORD L. MOLESWORTH

Simla, November 14th, 1888.

My dear Izat,—I send you a letter which I have received about Edwards and my reply to it. I think it is a matter with which you ought to be acquainted. I shall feel obliged if you will see that they reach Edwards's hands. If the accusation be true he richly deserves to be disgraced, and I do not see how you can keep him in your employment. If it be false, he ought to take steps to prosecute the girl and her step-father for conspiracy. I can scarcely believe that he can be such a thorough-paced blackguard as this accusation makes him to be; and there is a ring about Mr. Stewart's letter which sounds like an attempt to extort money. I am off to Calcutta on the 19th instant, and I should feel greatly obliged if you would let me know if the letters I now send you have reached Edwards and what he says.—Yours sincerely, (Sd.) GUILDFORD MOLESWORTH.

Alexander Izat, Esq.

Allahabad, November 12th, 1888.

"From Mr. Stewart to Mr. Edwards.

"Sir,—I find on my return here, a couple of days ago, from Hyderabad, Deccan, where, I have been absent from my family for the last six months, that Miss Edith Duff was delivered in the Colvin Hospital, Allahabad, on the 26th October, 1888, of a female child, of which you are the father. It would, of course, be waste of time to enter upon the infamy of your act or the disgrace you have brought upon us with such a man as you appear to be; nor would I now communicate with you were it not for the advice of my counsel and the respect I have for Sir Guildford Molesworth. It is my intention to make you fully feel the consequences of your dastardly act, and to expose you to your employers and throughout the public press of India and England, unless ample reparation is speedily made by you or your friends on your behalf. I little thought, when sending our girl to your family, that she would have been so foully destroyed by you; but be certain of this, wherever you are you shall not escape my vengeance. It is with difficulty I am reduced to allow you this chance, and only do so at the desire of my legal adviser. All arrangements have been made for instituting proceedings against you in the High Court here, and Sir Guildford Molesworth has been fully informed of all particulars by to-day's post. Thousands of notices, exposing your infamous conduct, are being rapidly printed, and will be posted to your employers and to every Englishman and Englishwoman throughout the land. You will find that I am about the last man in the world with whom you should have trifled, and I have now to inform you finally that unless the girl and your child are suitably provided for life, and ample satiefaction is given for the foul disgrace you have brought upon us, I shall assuredly break you as I would break a rotten reed.—I am Sir, your, obedient servant,—(Sd.) L. B. STEWART.

Station Road, Allahabad.

On the case coming before Mr. Elloy, Mr. Sarat Chandar Chatterji, pleader, appeared for the complainant, Mr. Bishen Sahai for the accused.

Examined by Mr. Sarat Chandar Chatterji, the complainant said he was an Assistant Engineer on the Bengal and North-Western Railway. He was nephew to Sir Guildford Molesworth. Exhibit A. was delivered to him on the 19th May, 1888, and the two enclosures, B. and C., also. They were from Mr. Izat, Agent of the Bengal and North-Western Railway. Exhibit D. was delivered to him on the 24th November, and was opened by his pleader on the 25th. He believed the letters A. and D. were written by Mr. Stewart. To the best of his belief exhibits D. and C. were in his uncle's writing. He had read the contents of all the letters. The accusations were utterly false. He wished to emphasize this denial by saying that there

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ARRIVALS.

...	Commander	From.
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...	White	Batoum, Nov. 22.
...regor(s)	Palmer	Liverpool, Nov. 15.

DEPARTURES.

...essel.	Commander	Destination.
...(s)	Hutchinson ..	Marseilles.
...(s)	Bardo	Dunkirk.
...(s)	Cox	Hongkong.
...(s)	Hughes	Liverpool.
...(s)	Baker	Cutch Mandvie.
... .	Burgoyne ..	Karachi.
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...(s)	Whitehead..	Karachi & P. Gulf.

...ing vessels were entered for loading on Satur-

...rs, for Zanzibar, &c.
...ns, for Calcutta, Coast, Rangoon, &c.

CALCUTTA.

ARRIVALS.

...s ..... Lewis ..... Singapore, Nov. 23.
...nais s ..... Turner ..... Rangoon, Dec. 3.
...s ..... Franks ..... Bombay, Nov. 16.
... Haselwood .. London, Nov. 8.
...arthur s ... MacMahon .. Liverpool, Nov. 4.

DEPARTURES.

...eamer Landaura.
...ships Majestic, Glenburn and Holt Hill.

MADRAS.

ARRIVAL.

...ja s ..... Bombay.

DEPARTURES.

...ra s ..... Negapatam.
...ja s ..... Calcutta.

...Y EXPORTS.—DECEMBER 15.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

...s—2,009 cwts linseed, Ralli Bros; 200 ...tton, A S Moodlier and Co; 50 bales wool, ...ndas; 3,421 cwts wheat, Lang Moir and ... bales cotton, Gaddum Bythell and Co.
...—275 bales cotton, D Sassoon and Co; ...rts wheat, Sanday and Co; 235 bales old ...B Mooljí; 220 bales cotton, Punnett and ... bales wool, G Toolsidas.

FOR LONDON.

...5 bales hides, B Esmail.
...55 bales cotton, Volkart Bros; 1,326 cwts ... Ralli Bros; 20 cwts gum, F Hurst; ...s olibanum, D Heerji and Co; 225 cwts ...n, H Virdhare; 56 cwts olibanum, N ... 20 cases condiments, M Poonjiaji and ... bales skins, S Molcobhai and Co; 120 cwts ... Hajee.

FOR HULL.

...5,200 cwts linseed, K Lukmidas and Co; ...rts linseed and 1,200 ...s rapeseed, The ... Co, Ld.
...44 cwts linseed, Ralli Bros.

FOR ANTWERP.

...100 bales cotton, Volkart Bros; 200 bales ...Glade and Co.

FOR DUNKIRK.

...beth s—150 cwts buffalo horns, R Cader-...0C1 cwts linseed, S Dosagne and Co.

FOR GENOA.

...s—400 bales cotton, Volkart Bros; 70 bales ...Ralli Bros.

FOR NAPLES.

...—300 bales cotton, Glade and Co.

FOR BARCELONA.

...s 100 bales cotton, Gaddum Bythell and ...

FOR VENICE.

...500 cwts castorseed, A Blascheck and ... bales cotton, F Sauquet and Co; 220 ...tton, Gaddum Bythell and Co.

FOR TRIESTE.

...40 bales cotton, Glade and Co; 655 bales ...F Sauquet and Co; 550 bales cotton, A ...ck and Co; 605 bales cotton, Gaddum ... and Co.

...GH COURT.—DECEMBER 17.

...re the Hon. Mr. Justice BAYLEY.)

...mentary and Intestate Jurisdiction.

...ilkin—Osman Kudar and another vs ...rabai, wife of Haji Abdul Fazul Mahomed ...obin and R.

...ar of the petition of Vinayek Wassudeo ... and others in suit No 204-76.

...sukhal, D and J—For petitioner—Venayek ...deo vs Purmanundas Jewandas—Little, ... and N.

...nts for hearing and final disposal.

Long Causes.

...yne, G, and S.—Hassanbhoy Vishram vs. ...rahimbhai Currimally.—Mansukhal and D.
...erson, B D and K—C A Turner vs Cullianji ...merchand—Hore, and B.
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...S Garud—Tulsidas Lowji vs Ru... ...das ...hursey and others—Macfarlane, E and ...irza, H K—Kallianji Moti vs Hurruckchuh ...merchand V Hurrichund.
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MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—DECEMBER 14.

Cherry, Colonel, 4th Light Cavy, Madras, from leave, from England.
Hogg, Colonel, Poona Horse, on leave, from Sirur.
Southey, 2nd Lt, 7th Bombay L I, on language leave, from Mhow.
Phillips, Lieut, 28th Punjaub L I, from leave, from England.
James, Colonel, 2nd P W O Grenadiers, on leave, from Poona.

DECEMBER 15.

Prestone, Captain, Queen's Bays, on leave, from Sialkote.
Campbell, Lt-Col, R A, ordered home on promotion, from camp Gurgaon.
Davidson, Captain, R A, on duty, from Madras.
Wasling, Lt-Col, 28th Bombay L I, on duty, from Poona.
Girard, Brigade Surgeon, on leave, from Mhow.
Bournes, Surgeon Major, Bengal Medical S taff, from Rawal Pindi.

DEPARTURES.—DECEMBER 12.

Tulloch, Lieut, R A, on duty, to Madras.

DECEMBER 14.

Hall, Lt-Col, N Lancashire Regt, off leave, to Mhow.

DECEMBER 15.

Hogg, Colonel, Poona Horse, from leave, to Sirur.
Cherry, Colonel, 4th Madras Cavalry, off leave, to Bellary.
Woods, Lieut, 3rd Sikhs, from furlough, to Abbottabad.
Cunningham, Lt Col, R E, on leave, to England.
Phillips, Colonel, Bombay Political, on duty, to Kolapore.

DECEMBER 16.

James, Col, 2nd P W O Grenadiers, from leave, to Poona.
Wahab, Colonel, Lancashire Fus, from leave, to Ahmednagar.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLE CORPS.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS

By Lieut-Col the Hon L H Bayley, Commandant, B. V. R. C.

Bombay, December 17, 1888.

There will be drill at the following places until further orders:—

At the Oval, Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, at 6-30 a.m.

P... O. Dockyard, Mondays and Fridays, at 5 p.m.

Byculla School, Mondays and Thursdays, at 5 p.m.

Byculla Scottish School, Mondays and Fridays, at 4 p.m.

St. Peter's School, Mazagon, Tuesdays and Thursdays, at 4 p.m.

Queen's Statue, Mondays and Wednesdays, at 5-15 p.m.

Indo-British Institution, Tuesdays and Fridays, at 4 p.m.

St. Mary's School, Tuesdays, and Thursdays, at 7-30 a.m.

Cathedral High School, Tuesdays and Thursdays, at 4. p.m.

John Cannon School cadets will parade at the Oval as above, and Queen's Statue at 4 p.m.

There will be Skeleton Company drill for officers and N. C. officers at the Oval at 6-30 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

2. The Corps will furnish a Guard of Honour this evening at the Secretariat for H. E. the Governor's Levee. Detail, Capt. Baird, Lieuts, Savage and Brewin, 1 Sergeant, and 20 Rank and File per Company. Parade at the Gymkhana at 3-45 p.m. Red uniform with helmets, arms, and accoutrements to be worn. Tram fares to and from parade will be paid on application to Company. N. C. officer appointed for that purpose.

3. It is notified for general information that the Bombay Volunteer Rifle Association Annual Meeting will take place about the 8th of January, and will be on the same lines as that of last season. The Prospectus will be issued shortly.

4. Officers Commanding Companies are requested to send in rolls containing the names of any men who have served in the Regular Army and the decorations in their possession.

5. Lieut N. Devlin is granted leave of absence from this date to the 7th January 1889.

6. The leave granted to Capt. Willis is cancelled at his own request.

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

The following orders are notified:—

7. There will be a meeting of the members of the B L H. in the Chamber of Commerce Room, Graham's Buildings, on Wednesday, the 19th instant, at 5-15 p.m., for the election of an officer to complete the establishment. All members are invited to attend.

8. There will be Riding drill for Recruits on Tuesday, the 18th, and Thursday, the 20th inst, at the Riding School at 6-45 a.m. Uniform with swords and carbines.

By Order,
H. S. B. HODGKINSON,
Captain and Adjutant, B. V. R. C.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

BATTERY ORDERS

By Major G. W. Roughton, Commandant.

Bombay, December 17, 1888.

For the week ending 22nd December, 1888:—

1. Tuesday.—Repository-drill at Head-Quarters, at 6-30 a.m. Uniform. No arms.

2. Wednesday.—6-30 a.m.—The same as No. 1.

3. Thursday.—Class firing at Coorla. Train leaves the Victoria Terminus at 5-30 a.m. Sword-drill at Head-quarters, 9 p.m.

By Order,
ARTHUR LESLIE, Capt. and Acting Adjutant, Bo. Vol. Artillery

BOMBAY ARMY ORDERS.

ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE, HEAD-QUARTERS,
Poona, Dec. 14th, 1888.

The C-in-C is pleased to make the following appointment:—

30th Bo Infy (3rd Belooch Bn)—Lt H A Luard, 2nd Battn Northamptonshire Regt, who has been appointed a probationer for the S C to officiate as Wing officer on probation, dated 5th Dec 1888.

With reference to Army Order No. 457 of 1888 the appointment of Capt E Lindseay, 1st Royal North Lancashire Regt, as S S O, Mhow, is in addition to his other duties.

Lieut E R Houghton, West Riding Regt, offig Wing officer 5th Bo L I, being unable to return to India within the period (6 months) of his leave on medical certificate, has, under instructions from the Secy of State for India, ceased to be a probationer for the SC from 19th Nov 1888.

It is notified for information that the *London Gazettes* of the 16th and 20 Nov 1888 were received at Bo Army Hd-Qrs on the 13th Dec 1888.

With the sanction of the Secy of State for India, Major J Cameron, RE, is permitted to revert to Imperial duty. He will proceed to England travelling at the public expense, and on arrival he will report himself to the D A G, RA, H Gs.

Under instructions received from H Gs, W O, Capt J W H Potts, RE, Poona Dist, is directed to proceed to Gibraltar by the first public opportunity for duty with the Arty at that staation.

The undermentioned officer is granted leave to Egypt with the necessary subsidary leave:—

1st Royal Fus—Capt C H Morrice, for four months, on private affairs.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY.

BOMBAY, 14th December, 1888.

Means of observations at 6 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Barometer corrected 32 deg. Fah.	29·910
Temperature of the Air	76·9
Wet Bulb Thermometer	67·1
Dew Point	61·9
Relative humidity of Air	613
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky clouded =10)..	0·0
Maximum temperature of air (read at 8 a.m. next day)	86·2
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General Directions of Wind.*	....N, E, ENE, NW, NNW, NNE.
...nt of wind in 21 hours*	241

*From midnight to midnight.

SIR Kurshedji was granted a private interview by the Viceroy on Thursday.

MR. DAVID R. PETRIE, senior partner of Messrs. Shekelton and Co., freight brokers in Calcutta, died very suddenly on Thursday morning. On Wednesday Mr. Petrie was in his ordinary health, but quinsy declared itself and death ensued in 12 hours from stoppage of the action of the heart. The deceased gentleman was well-known and highly respected in Calcutta.

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Max Sutaine's extra dry	,, 56 0	,, 58 0

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Chateau Grand Lebrun	,, 18	0	...	
Chateau Leoville	,, 19	0	...	
Chateau La Rose St. Estephe	,, 21	0	...	
Chateau La Rose	,, 28	0	...	

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B. Monfrose ***	Rs. 18	0	,, ...
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,, ,, **	,, 22	8	...
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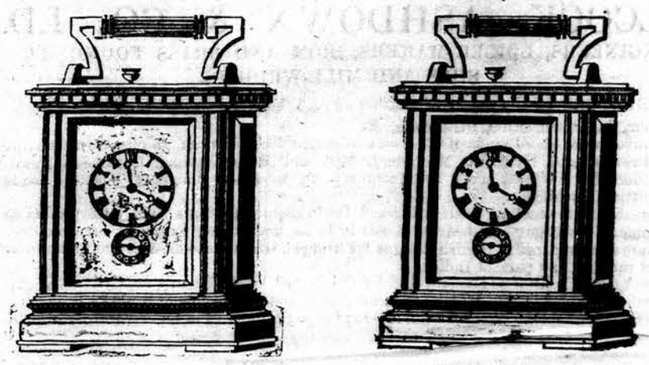

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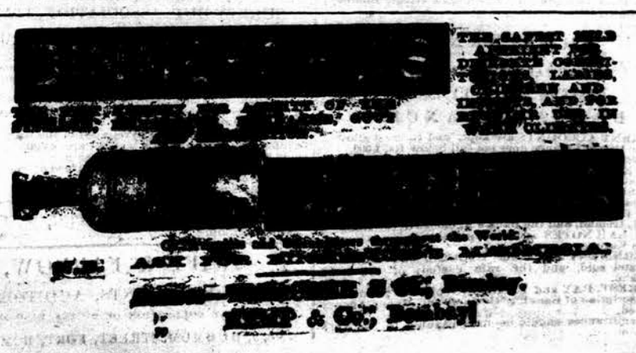

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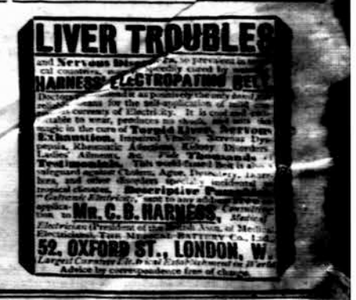

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